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# NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

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## Patriot missiles intercept Scuds in 'nightly routine'

by Kathy Barnes  
*News Editor*

Five incoming Iraqi Scud missiles were intercepted with Patriot missiles in Saudi Arabia and Israel Wednesday, in what has been called a "nightly routine" in the Persian Gulf War.

Israel held an emergency Cabinet meeting Wednesday in which they confirmed they will respond to Iraq's unprovoked attacks on their country but did not specify when or in what capacity.

The emergency meeting was called after a single Scud missile evaded the American Patriots in Tel Aviv, Israel, injuring 70 Israelis in a middle-class neighborhood.

Three elderly women died of heart attacks after the missiles flattened a two-story apartment building in Tel Aviv.

Many Jews have left Tel Aviv for Jerusalem hoping that city will be saved. It is considered holy to both Jews and Muslims.

The increased tension in the gulf has also caused President Bush to call up 100,000 reservists into active duty. He spoke to family members of troops and officers at the Reserve Officers Association Wednesday.

"We dealt a severe set back to Saddam's nuclear ambitions," Bush said. "Our pinpoint attacks have put Saddam out of the nuclear bomb building business for a long time to come."

The Pentagon confirmed the

American ground forces will not invade Iraq and Kuwait until February, but American and British troops are getting ready for the land offensive, according to CNN.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said in a press conference that the ground attack will not come right away and that the multi-national air force will continue to bomb strategic and military targets in Iraq and Kuwait.

Reports that the multi-national

forces attacked a baby food factory in Iraq during an air raid were denied. "They were manufacturing biological weapons and of that we are sure, and it has been taken out," Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said.

The Pentagon confirmed that a total of 11 missiles were fired Wednesday and the total U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf War now are at 474,000. The allied forces now total 674,000.

As of early this morning the Pentagon confirmed that 29 Iraqi prisoners of war have been taken captive. Most of the men were on an oil platform, although six were captured near the Kuwaiti border Wednesday.

**See related stories in the Missourian War in the Gulf section.**



KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING—Candle flames flicker on the faces of Julie Owens and Christy Leahy during a prayer at the Ribbon Service Monday, Jan. 21. Many students attending the ceremony had friends or relatives in the gulf. (Photo by Brandon Russell)

## MLK Day Celebrated

by Vicki Meier  
*Staff Writer*

On Monday, Jan. 21, the Alliance of Black Collegians organized a day of activities in observation of Martin Luther King Day.

The activities were open to everyone and the day was kicked off with a breakfast at the Wesley Center. At noon the Bell of '48 rang on the front lawn of the Administration Building in honor of Dr. King.

Film presentations on Dr. King and his "I Have A Dream" speech and "Eyes on the Prize" were held afterwards in the J.W. Jones Union Ballroom where

several students turned out.

The day concluded with Phil Heeler of the Maryville Optimist Club introducing the key speaker of the day, Gary Kremer.

Kremer, director of State of Missouri archives and author of Missouri's Black Heritage, spoke on George Washington Carver, a 20th Century Visionary.

Carver, who became an American Folklore for his work with the peanut, also did a lot of work with the Racial Equality Congress and the YMCA. His work at the YMCA was to promote racial brotherhood. He would speak to audiences primarily of 15 to 20-year-old white men to promote racial harmony.



SING HIS PRAISES—In Remembrance of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. students Robert Lee and Shauntae Laird sing the National Negro Hymn, 'Lift Every Voice', as a part of the Bell Ringing ceremony on Monday Jan. 21. (Photo by Don Carrick)

## False login screens reported

by Dawn Scarbrough  
*Staff Writer*

The telecommunications office has received reports of false login screens due to a program that records the person's username and password.

According to Dr. Jon Rickman, director of computing services and telecommunications, the program was located in 12 students' accounts which caused

operational difficulties for computing services.

Students will know immediately if they are victims of such a program because they will be immediately disconnected after entering their password. They will not be allowed to log in again at that terminal. Victims should go to another terminal, change their password, and report their terminal to computing services.

If this occurs, and a student needs to change their password for security reasons, and should first log into a terminal other than the one on which the false login screen occurred.

Upon reaching the prompt, the student must then type the command SET PASS. The computer will ask for the student's old password to be typed in. After

typing in the old password, the computer will ask for the student's new password.

It's here that the new password should be typed. The computer will ask for a verification of the new password, at which time the student's new password should again be typed in. This will prevent further break-ins to the stu-

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## Regents approve fee hike for '92

by Steve Rhodes  
*Contributing Writer*

A proposal for fee increases highlighted the agenda of items considered by the Board of Regents during their Wednesday Jan. 16 meeting.

The board approved the proposed 1991-92 fees which called for a cost hike in both tuition and room and board.

Tuition for Missouri residents will go up from the current \$50 per semester hour to \$53, while non-resident tuition will increase from \$90.50 to \$96. In-state graduate tuition will go from \$57.50 per hour to \$61.75, and \$106 to \$113.25 for non-residents.

Room and board costs will climb from \$1210 to \$1322.50 per semester for a double occupancy room and meal plan. Students requesting a private room will be required to pay an additional \$350 per semester, a \$50 increase over the current charge.

A portion of this increase will go toward a series of additional services that will be provided by the University. These include lengthened meal plan schedules

plus fruit that can be carried out, voice mail boxes and added telephone features.

University officials attending the meeting commented that the increases were primarily just keeping with inflation and Northwest's overall cost was still very competitive.

In addition to tuition and room and board, a proposal for the modification of miscellaneous fees was also approved by the board. The most significant change will be a sharp increase of fines for parking violations. Warren Gose, vice president for finance, stated that the fines for traffic violations would all nearly double. He added that this was in an effort to eliminate some of the parking problems present on campus.

Other prominent changes included a \$25 increase for a room deposit, and a \$15 increase for students choosing to switch their meal plan.

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## Campus favorite to spellbind University

Hypnotist Jim Wand returns for fourth show at MLPAC

One of Northwest's favorite performers is coming back to campus tonight.

Dr. Jim Wand, who has been involved in the field of hypnosis for over 15 years, is making a return appearance at Northwest tonight. The popular hypnotist is a regular performer on campus, this being his fourth appearance in two years. His most recent performance was held during Freshman Orientation week last August.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Dr. Wand's appearance is sponsored by Campus Activity Programmers.

Tickets are currently on sale at the Student Services Center on the first floor of the Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and at the Mary Linn Box Office from 6 to 8 p.m.

Advance tickets are \$2 for children 12 and under, senior citizens and students with a

Northwest ID. Advance adult ticket prices are \$3, with all tickets \$4 at the door.

To date, Dr. Wand has had over 2,000 professional engagements and has hypnotized over 100,000 people. His keen wit, charismatic personality and knowledge in the field, as well as innate showmanship abilities has placed him in a category by himself.

He has worked with such personalities as Jay Leno, Dom DeLuise, the Chicago Bears, George Strait, Tiffany and The Judds, to mention a few. His psychology background, along with eight years of clinical practice has earned him national acclaim in the field of hypnosis.

Dr. Wand's presentations involve audience participation and are designed to meet the needs of each audience. He incorporates humor, educational expertise, as well as self-help techniques to totally involve everyone in attendance.

Immediately following his performance, Dr. Wand will present a self-hypnosis seminar in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The cost of the seminar is \$5 per person.



SPIES LIKE US—In the opening moments of their routine, Steppers Tina Gaa and Kristi Wolfgram play the roles of secret agents. The Steppers reached the finals at the National Cheerleader and Dance Competition held in Dallas, Texas. (Photo by Brandon Russell)

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**Dr. John Rickman**  
Director of Computing Services  
and Telecommunications

dent's account.

This program is not new to the Northwest campus, according to Rickman.

"We've seen this kind of software since the early 80's," he said. "We had hoped this thing would disappear, because we've been teaching computer ethics and literacy in the computer science courses."

Rickman stated that the program used was an old and crude technique and was not as new and exciting as one might think.

Most students had the software copied into their account in much the same way a student would get a floppy disk with a virus on it.

The person that was giving the software made it sound enticing, and then other students would copy it," Rickman said.

A student can unknowingly have this program by accepting login coms or an individual's software whose contents are unknown.

The computing service agree-

ment signed at the beginning of the year holds students accountable as to how they use their accounts. If an individual is caught using such a program to obtain entrance into another's account, they can be charged with a class A misdemeanor for theft to a class C felony under the state laws of Missouri.

The software has been removed from the student's account, but as Rickman stated, "There's always the possibility of it happening again."

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Also during the meeting, the board recognized the resignation of three University employees. These included Kathy M. Busser, administrative staff lead teacher, Preparatory English Program, effective Dec. 18, 1990; Linda LaMaster, custodian supervisor, effective Dec. 20, 1990; and Jerry Williams, officer, Campus Safety department, effective November 10, 1990. In addition, the board recognized the retirement of John Rice, custodian, effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Another item approved by the

board was a proposal requesting that the University provide one additional scholarship for women's varsity athletics. With this addition, Northwest will offer the maximum number of both men's and women's scholarships allowed by the MIAA.

Other prevalent items approved at the meeting included the proposed 1991-92 academic calendar, and the recommendation to accept a bid from the First Bank of Maryville to handle the University's banking services.

Steppin' out

## Northwest groups compete in Dallas

Three Northwest groups recently competed at the National Cheerleaders Association (NCA) national championships in Dallas, Texas, January 5-6.

The Bearcat Steppers finished eighth in the college division (non-Division I schools) pom/dance category. Indiana State was the national champion in this event.

Members of the Bearcat Steppers consist of Shelly Brabec, Tina Gaa, Jenny Haines, Nikki Wolff, Jan Tincher, Stephanie Taylor, Tara Graham, Mindy Lee, Kristie Wolfgram, Kelly Harrison, Shannan Buhmeister, and Gina Stevenson.

In the All-Girl Cheer category, the junior varsity cheerleading squad finished seventh in the college division. Northwest tied for seventh place with Coffeyville Community College and the University of Buffalo, but was awarded seventh by itself as a result of the judges' raw scores. Faulkner State Junior College

was the national champion.

Members of the JV squad include Jennifer Eckert, Jason Folger, Tricia Tinsley, Angela Thomas, Michelle Cooney, Loree Sheldon, and Michelle McKnight. Chris Blum is the alternate Bobby Bearcat.

In the Cheer category, Northwest finished 17th. Trinity Valley Community College was the national champion in the college division.

Members of the Bearcat Cheerleaders include Bev Owen, Rachel Cole, Roy Niermi, Andrew Loos, Bobbie Gentry, Gina Burasco, David Bushner, Mark Cromley, Brian Cannon, Shannon Dowden, Stephanie Johnson, Bryan Parker, Teresa Slezak, Erik Toft and Shawn Wake as Bobby Bearcat.

The three groups qualified for the national competition as a result of their strong performances at the regional summer competition in Lincoln, Neb. All three squads are sponsored by Cherine Heckman, assistant director for college relations.

## CAPS to bring variety of entertainment

by Jason Bruhn  
Staff Writer

This spring as Northwest students return to campus they have numerous and differing choices of activities to attend. Choices range from the reappearance of hypnotist Dr. Jim Wand to the Tony Award winning musical 'Into The Woods' to the first ever tour of the Soviet Acrobatic Revue.

"I think for spring events there's something for everybody this year," said Dave Gieseke, Campus Activities Programmers director. "We always like to think that we try to get better every year," he said.

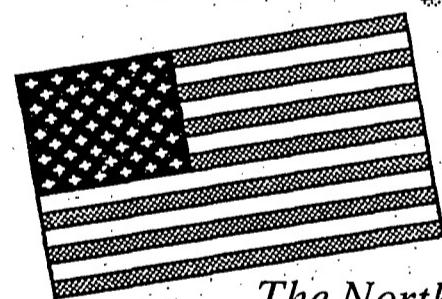
Gieseke often works closely with CAPS in scheduling acts and lecturers to appear here at Northwest. "We go to booking conventions and look at acts and try to get ones that not only the students will like, but the faculty and staff also," he said.

The performances are sponsored by the university, while Gieseke does much of the scheduling himself he said. CAPS generally picks the more popular events, comedians, music groups and others while he tends to book speakers such as Dr. Ernest Boyer, and musicals and plays like 'Into The Woods'.

'Into The Woods' premieres Feb. 1, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Also appearing at the Mary Linn will be speaker Dumisani Kumalo on Feb. 4 to discuss the issues of South Africa.

National public radio correspondent Nina Totenberg will address the happenings in our nation's capital on Feb. 28 also at the Mary Linn. Dr. Ernest Boyer will make an appearance March 5, also at the Mary Linn, and the final speaker of the semester will be the nature group, the Cousteau Society on March 26.

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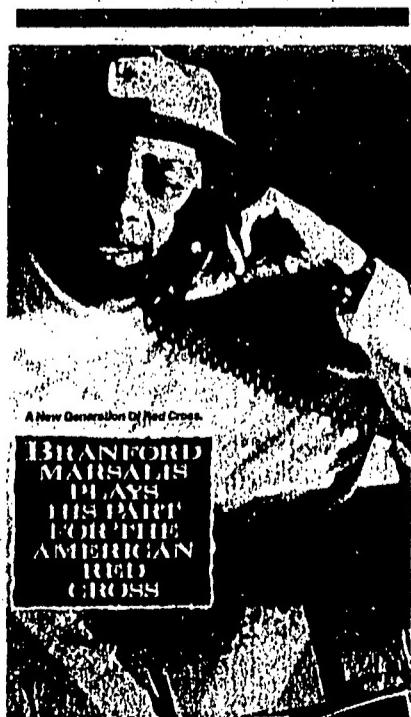


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## AROUND the tower

### Wyant selected president-elect

Jim Wyant, director of financial assistance, has been selected president-elect of the Missouri Association of Student Financial Aid Personnel.

After serving one year as president-elect, Wyant will become president of the state-wide organization. As part of his responsibilities, Wyant will work closely with the Coordinating Board for Education and will lobby the United States Congress for additional student financial assistance.

### Hubbard accepts appointment

University president Dean Hubbard has accepted an invitation to membership on the American Council on Education's Advisory Committee on Campus Trends.

The invitation was extended by Elaine El-Khawas, vice president for policy analysis and research at the ACE in Washington, D.C.

She explained that the Committee on Campus Trends seeks information so that it can present timely information on current and emerging practices on the nation's campuses.

### PRSSA sponsors contest

In honor of celebrating the 75th year of Bearcat basketball at Northwest, the Public Relations Student Society of America and Schick are sponsoring the "What's in Bobby's Box" contest.

At the Bearcat basketball game Saturday, Jan. 19, PRSSA presented a gift to Bobby Bearcat, but he was not allowed to open it. People interested can guess what's in the box, and the people with the correct guesses will receive prizes from local merchants.

Winners of the prizes will be drawn from all correct entries at the Bearcat game on Saturday, Jan. 26. The winners must be present to claim their prize and there can be only one winner per family.

### Auditions for Lab Series held next week

Auditions for the Northwest Theatre Lab Series will be held from 6-10 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 30 and Thursday, Jan. 31 in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building Room 200.

"FM," by Romulus Linney, will be directed by Suzanne Lammers and "Gum & Goo," written by Howard Brenton, will be directed by Grant Kabrick. Anyone interested in auditioning can contact Lammers at 562-5179 or Kabrick at 562-2872 for further information.

Design and technical positions are available as well.

### Art faculty members display works throughout January

Works by four department of art faculty members will be on display throughout this month in the DeLuce Gallery.

The exhibit will feature artwork by Lee Hageman, associate professor and department chairman; George Rose, associate professor; Russ Schmaljohn, assistant professor; and Dr. Kim Spralding, assistant professor. The four faculty members will display their work through Jan. 30.

The Gallery is open from 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Special viewings can be arranged by making an appointment with the art department at 562-1314.

### Oklahoma professor discusses history of geology

Dr. Kenneth Taylor, chairman and professor of the department of the history science at the University of Oklahoma, was a guest speaker on Wednesday, Jan. 23.

Taylor spoke on the topic, "Geology's Prehistory: Finding Regularities in an Irregular Earth."

His lecture was sponsored by the History of Science Society, a national organization whose objective is to encourage interest in the history of science and to promote the teaching of science history.

At Northwest, his lecture was funded by the College of Agriculture, Science and Technology, and the Culture of Quality Program.

### University offices receive awards

Northwest's Offices of Public Relations and Publications has been given two awards from the Council of Advancement and Support of Education District VI.

The University received an Award of Excellence for Northwest Alumni in the periodicals, alumni newsletter or newspaper category. This award represents second place in the competition.

Chuck Holley, coordinator of photographic services also won an Award of Merit for a Bearcat basketball action photo. The photo was entered in the news/sports still photography division of the competition.

The awards were handed out at the CASE District VI conference in Kansas City.



## AROUND the world

### Postage rates on the rise

It will cost more to mail first class starting Sunday, Feb. 3. The cost to send a first-class letter will rise to 29 cents for the first ounce and 23 cents for every additional ounce.

The postal service asked for a 30-cent rate.

### Presidents meet, no solutions reached

Latvian President Anatolijus Gorbunovs met for two hours with Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev to discuss the military crackdown that claimed the lives of six people. Fourteen people were killed Sunday, Jan. 13.

Gorbachev offered no concrete proposal on how to solve the conflict between pro-independence and pro-Kremlin forces in Latvia.

It was said that Gorbachev has agreed not to impose direct rule in the Republic.

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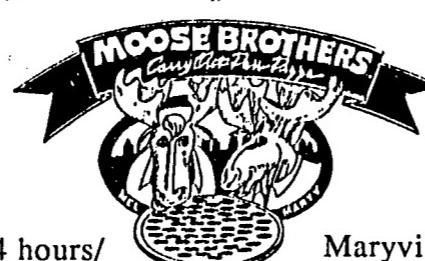
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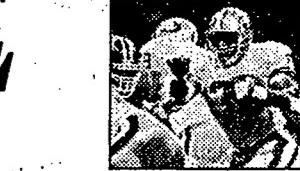


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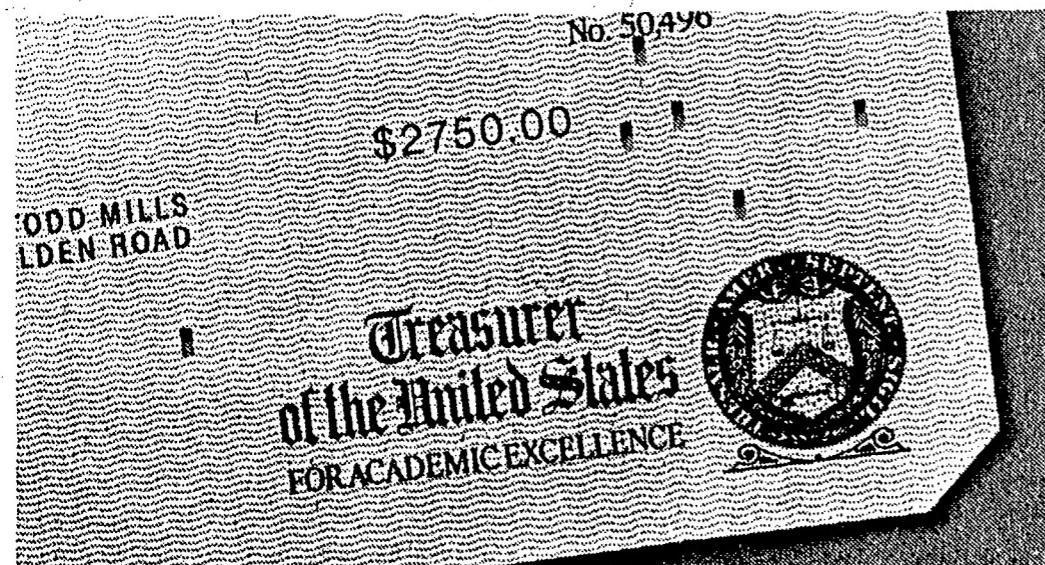
4:30 p.m. The Goonies  
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4:30 p.m. Who's Harry Crumb?  
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# Southwest Baptist rolls 'Cats

## Northwest guard Chris Johnson breaks right hand

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

Eleventh-ranked Southwest Baptist remained perfect in MIAA play with an impressive 81-71 victory over Northwest Saturday night in Lamkin Gym. Southwest Baptist advanced to 12-1 overall, while Northwest fell to 9-7.

Northwest led 9-7 at the 13:30 mark of the first half, but Southwest's Micheal Hogue scored the next two points, then added a free throw to take the lead for good.

Southwest led by as many as 19 in the first half, but a late Northwest surge cut the lead to 14 at the half.

Southwest's 6'10" center, David Harris, set the tone for the game in the first half with his intimidating play on the inside. Harris collected 7 first half rebounds.

Harris ended the game with 20 points, 11 rebounds and 4 blocked shots.

"He's a good shot blocker," Northwest forward Larry Brown said. "It was a physical game underneath."

Brown was held to 11 points, and 3-13 shooting from the field. Northwest shot 34.6 percent in the first half.

Brown said Harris' presence in the middle did not affect his shooting. "It didn't bother me, I've played against guys that big in junior college," he said.

## Track teams place high at Central Missouri

by Bill Hackett  
Staff Writer

Friday night the Northwest Bearcat and Bearkitten track team brought home first and third place finishes during the six-team track meet at Central Missouri State University.

"It was an excellent first meet and I'm very happy with the outcome," Assistant Coach Mike Robbins said.

Through perseverance, the Bearcats competed tough in all events. "The team basically just took control of the meet after the high jump event,"

"He's (Harris) just a player we don't match-up with very well," said Northwest Coach Steve Tappmeyer.

Northwest's Jarrod Harrell is familiar with Harris. Harrell faced Harris last season when Harris played for Texas A&M and Harrell played for Pan American.

"I knew how to play him from last year," said Harrell who ended with 13 points.

Harris entered the game leading the MIAA with 7.1 blocked shots per game.

Southwest's Ernest Hall terrorized Northwest from the outside, with 3-4 shooting from 3-pt. range, and ended with 22 points to lead all scorers.

Kevin Shelvin led Northwest with 21 points, including 2 3-pointers.

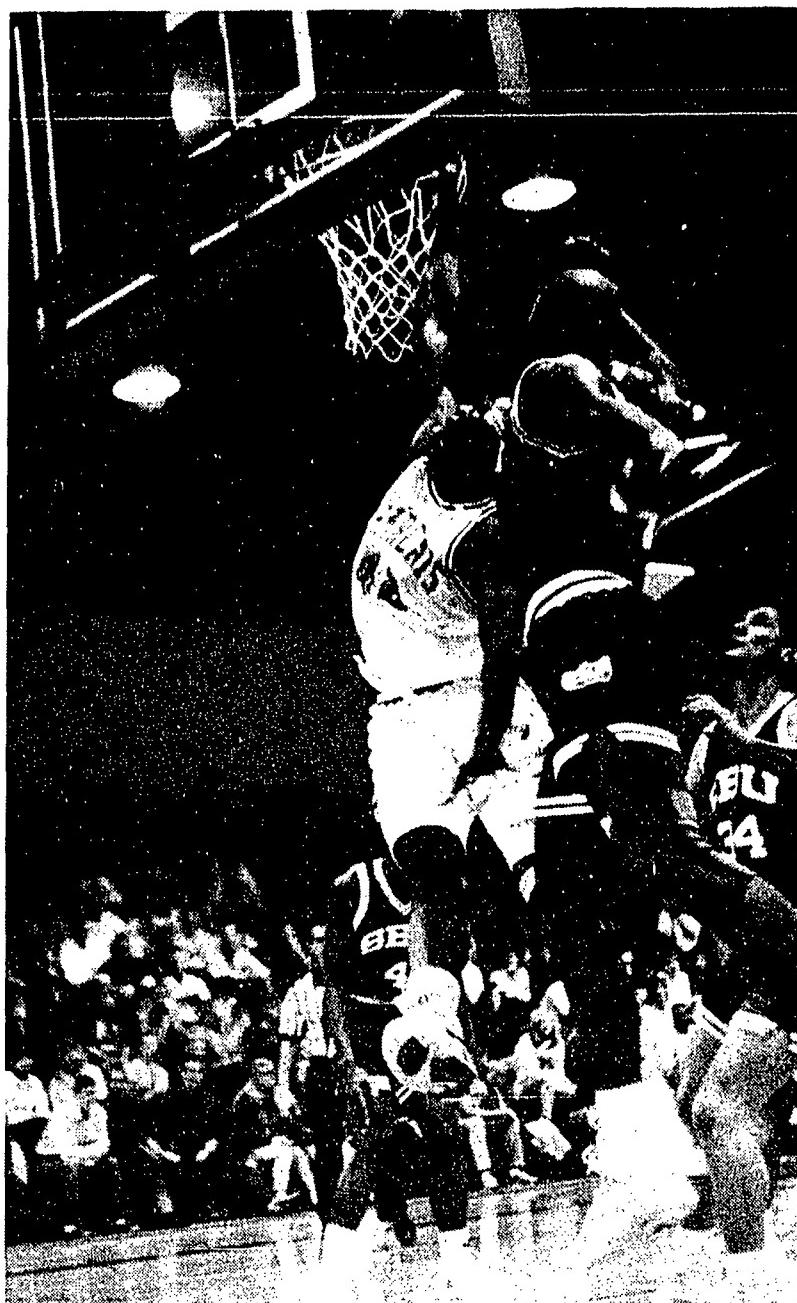
The game was ragged and physical from the start. Southwest ended with 26 turnovers, while Northwest committed 22.

The physical play led to 46 total fouls, including a technical foul on Northwest's Larry Brown.

Harrell enjoys the physical play. "I love it. I got five fouls, with the fifth coming in the final seconds. Normally they don't get that physical," said Harrell.

Tappmeyer was unsure if the physical play benefits his team. "I'm not sure, it depends on your opponent. Southwest Baptist had some people that could get back and play physical right with you," he said.

Northwest suffered more than a loss during the game. Junior guard Chris Johnson broke a



FLIGHT OF HEIGHT—Northwest forward Jarrod Harrell takes one up strong against the 6' 10" Southwest Baptist forward Saturday night. Harrell contributed 13 points to the losing effort against Southwest. (Photo by Scott Jenson)

bone in his shooting hand during the first half.

"Chances are he could miss the rest of the season. He's a tough kid, he's a fast healer, but our trainers are telling me it's a six

week type of injury," Tappmeyer said.

"We don't have any real reason to be optimistic that Chris is going to be able to play this season," said Tappmeyer.

Morgan.

Cummings won the high jump event while Holdiman did likewise in the shot put. Morgan placed fourth in the 300 meter dash. Kim O'Riley and Sherry Messner also displayed their talents as O'Riley placed second in the 1000 yard run and Messner also placed second in the 3000 meter run.

"I was very impressed with the women, especially the freshman. Diane and Anice did a fine job," said Robbins.

The Bearkittens also did very well as they were paced by freshman sensation Diane Cummings along with Jennifer Holdiman and Anice

"I was really nervous, but it was very exciting as the team pulled together to show a great deal of comradery and spirit.

"We still have a variety of gaps that need to be filled and this weekend should tell us just how good we are. We will be facing a much stiffer task than any we have faced," said Robbins.

Next Saturday the Bearcat and Bearkitten track teams will travel south to Central Missouri State to compete against the Mules and Jennies.

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

## Royals like changes

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

Kansas City Royals' pitcher Jeff Montgomery and outfielder Jim Eisenreich signed autographs for over 200 children in Maryville at the Country Kitchen on Jan. 16.

"It's a thrill when I come to Maryville and there is a line waiting for your autograph. While it lasts, I better enjoy it," Montgomery said.

Montgomery and Eisenreich ate with some of the children and their parents and then answered questions about life as a major leaguer. Both were disappointed about last season but claim they learned a lesson.

"I think we just took everything for granted. We went through the motions and we lost," Eisenreich said.

"We have to go onto the field everyday, and play for nine innings as hard as we can," said Eisenreich.

The Royals will go into the next season with great expectations. Montgomery thinks the team has a lot of talent.

"We're going into the season with a lot of strengths. We have a lot of strength in the outfield, a lot of strength and depth in the pitching staff. We have a great chance to win a lot of the games," Montgomery said.

The Royals have plenty of talent with the likes of Bo Jackson and last season's batting champion George Brett.

"Playing with Bo Jackson is a thrill. Everyday you can expect Bo to do something that's very incredible," Montgomery said.

Even though Montgomery is not Bo Jackson, he still feels the pressure of the fame Jackson receives.

"He's human, he's an athlete, and you respect him for the things he is able to do, but it's a stress to be involved with such a big athlete," Montgomery said.

Eisenreich admires the dedicated play of George Brett.

"You watch him, and he leads by example. He's been doing this for 18 years now, and he's been doing it well every year," said Eisenreich.

"He gives 100 percent at everything he does, and that's what he shows everybody," added Eisenreich.

The Royals recently acquired outfielder Kirk Gibson. Gibson is a proven winner, having played in the World Series with the Detroit Tigers, and having won the World Series MVP honors with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Gibson will help fill the hole in the outfield since Willie Wilson left for Oakland.

"His biggest asset is leadership," according to Montgomery.

"I think we need his leadership, but we still don't know that it's there. Everything has yet to be seen," Eisenreich said.

## Three top JUCO's become Bearcats

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

Three junior college players have signed national letters of intent to play football for Northwest, according to Coach Bud Elliott.

Wide receiver/tight end Raymond Massey, running back Reggie St. Romain and linebacker Joe Heji are currently enrolled and are expected to participate in spring workouts.

"All three are really good football players," said Elliott. According to Elliott, Northwest has based this year's recruiting on speed.

"We were looking for a good, big receiver that can run, and I think Massey answers that," Elliott said.

Massey, 6'3", 197, played both tight end and wide receiver for Ranger Junior College. Massey is considered to have good speed for his size.

According to Elliott, Northwest competed with Division I schools over St. Romain, St. Romain, 6'1", 208, rushed for 477 yards on 84 carries for Cisco Junior College.

Joe Heji, 6'2", 220, finished the season with 64 tackles, and conference player of the week honors against defending national champion Navarro Junior College.

Elliott has based the bulk of high school recruits on offensive linemen and defensive backs.

"Recruiting has really gone well. We're looking for some young offensive linemen," said Elliott.

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## Over the pickle barrel

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

The educational chats over the pickle barrel have started once again, and much to my surprise, the pickle topic was boxing.

I guess I'm the typical boxing fan. You know the type, only giving a hoot about the heavyweight champions, and an occasional look to see what colorful outfit Hector 'Macho' Camacho is wearing.

Camacho wears enough gold to be a miniature Mr. T with a strip-tease dancers stage cloths. Well, enough about Camacho.

Let's talk about how money influences the heavyweight bouts. The problem starts with the organization of professional boxing.

Boxing contains the IBF, WBC and WBA. All three organizations have different views on who the actual champion is, and different ideas about who should fight whom.

It's bad enough that the various leagues cause problems, but when the promoters get tossed into the picture, it causes a mess.

Promoters are very easy to notice at boxing matches. They're the ones with rings that are the size of Volkswagens and flamboyant smiles.

The likes of Don King, Steve Wynn and Dan Duva can always be seen smothering the winning boxer after a fight in hopes of landing his talents and the right to promote the next million dollar bout.

Remember King? He's the man that appears to be friends with every boxer that ever lived, and it seems that a pelican has built a nest on his head.

Soon, the current heavyweight champion will fight George Foreman for the title. But what title?

The WBC threatens to strip Holyfield of his currently recognized title if he fights Foreman.

This threat did not seem to bother Holyfield's corner. Duva, Holyfield's promoter told Sports Illustrated, "Let them steal it. We're going to fight Tyson after Foreman anyway, and we'll get it back then."

That is a lot of confidence in beating the 43-year-old Foreman. Foreman packs a powerful punch in his 260-pound frame. Big George thinks weight training is stopping at Burger King for the afternoon.

So what happens to King and Mike Tyson during this? Well, King shot himself in the foot by protesting Douglas' victory over Tyson in Tokyo when he tried to convince the WBC and WBA that a long count cost Tyson the match.

King was challenged in court by Wynn. Wynn claimed King should not represent Douglas in his next fight.

King settled out of court for a disappointing \$4 million. Not bad for losing.

If you're curious, Wynn holds the right to promote Tyson vs. Douglas II, and you can bet the farm that the match will be held in his own casino. I think it will be a nice Christmas at the Wynn residence this year.

## 'Kittens shoot past Southwest Baptist

### Winstead claims defense controlled game

by Dale Brown  
Staff Writer

NO, I GOT IT—Bearkitten center Colleen White grabs for a rebound against a Southwest defender in action Saturday night. The Kittens beat Southwest 70-45, improving to 3-2 in Conference play. (Photo by Scott Jenson)

### Northwest plays late games

Northwest women's basketball team defeated Missouri Western, 81-62, late Wednesday night.

The 'Cats were defeated by Missouri Western, 79-73, in the night-cap.

After absorbing a loss to Northeast Missouri State University last Wednesday night, the Bearkitten basketball squad rebounded in fine form Saturday night, posting a 70-45 MIAA conference victory over Southwest Baptist.

Northwest used its defense plan to near perfection in taking control of the game midway through the first half as the 'Kittens dominated the Lady Bearcats on both ends of the court.

"We were able to use our defense to control the game and give our offense another boost," said Northwest Coach Wayne Winstead.

"Southwest is a better team than their record shows. They've played some good teams and it's a good feeling to know you can come out and take control of the game the way they did," said Winstead.

Southwest Baptist managed to keep the contest close for much of the opening first half. Under the direction of Karrie Penner and Angie Matejka, Southwest Baptist held the game in a 12-12 deadlock with 11:28 remaining in the first half.

The tie would not last long however, as 'Kittens Lisa Kenkel and Stacy Rockhold ignited a 12-2 run which pushed the Northwest lead to a 24-14 advantage.

Gina Kennedy managed to cut the Bearkittens lead to eight, 28-20, on an eight-foot jumper, but strong free throw shooting by Northwest late in the closing stretches gave the 'Kittens a 38-26 half-time edge.

Northwest didn't let up in the

"I think this is a good victory to keep our confidence high."

-Wayne Winstead  
Women's Basketball

second half as Chris Swanson and Sara Hemminger combined to help the 'Kittens increase their lead to a 55-28 margin with 13:25 remaining in the game. Southwest managed to close the gap down late in the contest, but it wasn't near enough as Northwest secured the victory.

"I think this is a good victory to keep our confidence high," said Winstead. "The girls weren't really down after the loss to Northeast and we came out the next day and had a good practice. We're still keeping our sights and expectations up since about any team can knock off the other at any given time."

Pacing the way for the Bearkittens, now 13-3 overall, was Dana Wagner with a game-high 12 points. Kenkel and Swanson followed with 10 points each.

Southwest Baptist, now 5-11, was paced by Matejka and Penner, each with 10 points.

### Upcoming Events

#### January

24 – Hypnotist Dr. Jim Wand, MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.

#### February

3 – The Comedy Club, Spanish Den, 8 p.m. (Kathleen Madigan)  
4 – Dumisani Kumalo South Africa lecture, MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.  
7-10 – "Ghost," Union Ballroom & The Dugout, 7:30 p.m. & 2 p.m.  
24 – The Comedy Club, Spanish Den, 8 p.m. (Electric Zoot Suit)  
27 – The Spencers magic & illusion, MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.  
28 – Film, The Dugout, 7:30 p.m.

#### March

1-2 – Film, The Dugout, 7:30 p.m.  
17 – The Comedy Club, Spanish Den, 8 p.m. (Sam Griesbaum & Paul Rosa)

21-24 – Film, The Dugout, 7:30 p.m.

#### April

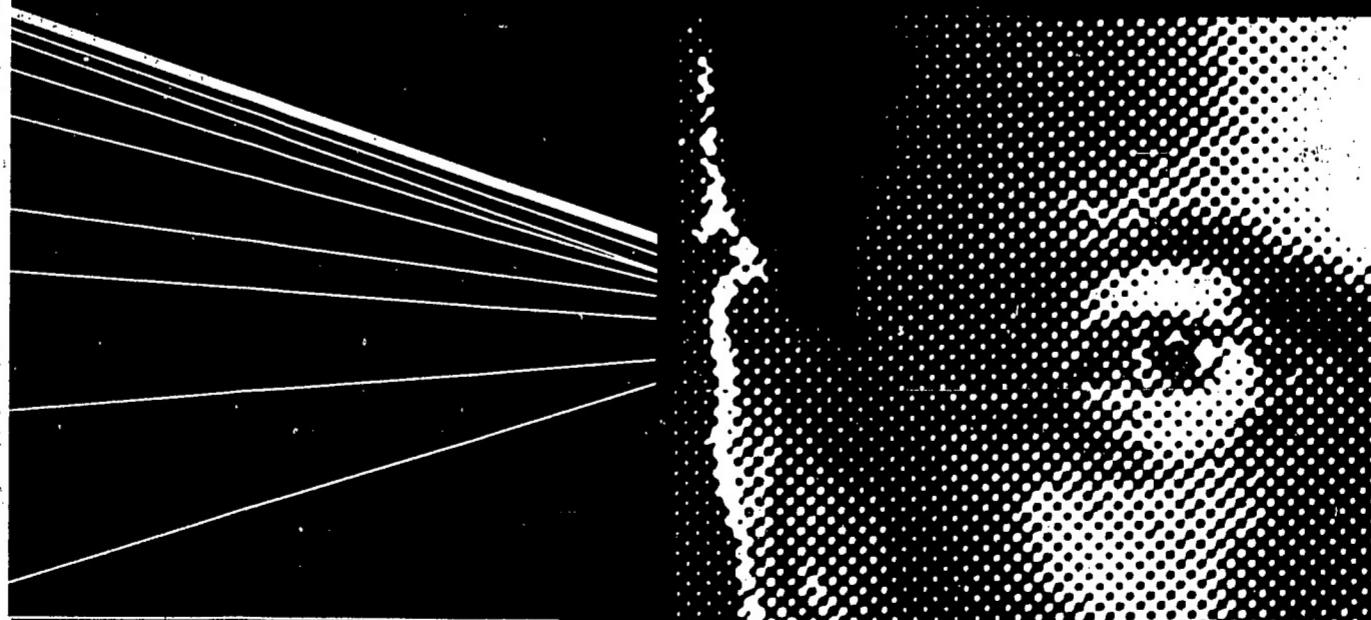
5 – London USA, Union Patio, 7:30 p.m.  
7 – The Comedy Club, Spanish Den, 8 p.m. (Susan Rice & Nick Gaza)  
11-14 – Film, The Dugout, 7:30 p.m.  
18 – Comedian Taylor Mason, MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.  
21 – The Comedy Club, Spanish Den, 8 p.m. (Garle Lewis)  
24 – Comedian Brad Lowery, MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.

#### May

5 – The Comedy Club, Spanish Den, 8 p.m. (Gayle Becwar)

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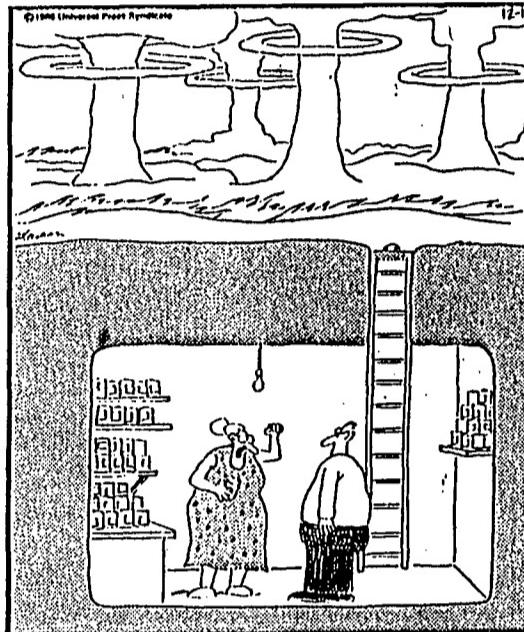


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January 24, 1991

Events  
Calendar

January 27, 1991

Tom Carnal  
History of Northwest  
University Club N 10 a.m.  
and 2 p.m.

January 28, 1991

\*Campus Rec Basketball  
Bowling League entry deadline  
Campus Rec Office - 3 p.m.  
Wini Owens Hart art slide show  
Fine Arts 244 - 3 p.m.

CAPS Meeting

Northwest Room - 4:30 p.m.

PRSSA Meeting

Wells Hall 141 - 4:30 p.m.

Pi Beta Alpha Meeting

Governor's Room - 7 p.m.

TKE Meeting

Northwest Room - 5:30 p.m.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting

University Club N - 6:30 p.m.

\*Last Day to audit 1st  
block class - Registrar  
IFC Meeting

Northwest Room - 4:30 p.m.

Panhellenic Council Meeting

Stockman Room - 4:30 p.m.

BSU Bible Study

BSU - 8:30 p.m.

Hypnotist Jim Wand

Mary Lynn PAC - 7:30 p.m.

"Introduction to the VAX &amp;

VMS" - Colder Hall 101 - 7 p.m.

January 25, 1991

Student Payday

January 26, 1991

\*Swing Choir Festival

Kitten basketball vs. CMSU

Lamkin Gym - 5:30 p.m.

Bearcat basketball vs. CMSU

Lamkin Gym - 7:30 p.m.

ABC Meeting

Stockman Room - 7 p.m.

Delta Chi Meeting

Governor's Room - 7 p.m.

CARE Meeting

Care Conference Rm. - 5:30 p.m.

Wini Owens Hart slide show

Union Ballroom - 7 p.m.

January 30, 1991

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From  
Left Field  
by Don Carrick

but they would only confuse the layman). I tried the "prank-phone-calls-at-3:30-in-the-morning" trick; I tried the "fake-doggie doo-in-the-classroom" trick. I listened to Jim Neighbor albums at 78 rpm; I listened to Liberace albums at 33 rpm; I did the infamous "Walla-walla-jelly roll-bicycle-built-for-two stunt (by the way, that stunt should only be tried by a professional), and I recaptured the wild boars before they got to any inhabited areas), but nothing seemed to work. I was down to the bottom of my "Get-Funny-Home Emergency Kit" when I noticed a small box. The box had something written on the side.

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"Slow down kid," the genie said, "you've been watching too many 60s sitcom reruns. I'm on loan from the Get Funny Home Emergency Kit Co., and I can only grant you one wish, which is to be funny again."

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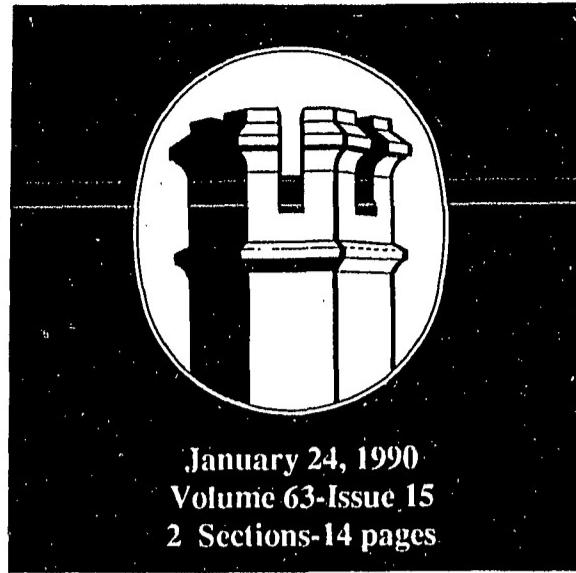


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## America experiences a week of war

**U.S., Iraq take first prisoners of war, over 10,000 allied sorties flown, Bush praises Israel for restraint against Iraq's unprovoked Scud attacks**

By Kathy Barnes  
News Editor

More than five months after Iraq's Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, 48 days after the United Nations ultimatum, one week after Secretary of State James Baker faced Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Geneva, and 19 hours after the U.N. deadline passed, the war began.

The United States attacked Iraq in a massive, pre-dawn raid Thursday, Jan. 17, with missiles and bombers opening what seemed to be a successful air raid in Operation Desert Storm.

An armada of bombers left the largest allied air base in Saudi Arabia at 12:50 a.m. (3:50 p.m. Central) to bomb strategic and military targets in Baghdad. The first bombs were heard in Baghdad about 5:35 p.m. Central.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told reporters the initial operation had gone "very, very well. We achieved a fairly high degree of technical surprise."

The American-led air raid quickly reached the public's attention with immediate reports from the major

networks and CNN's live coverage from Iraq's capital, Baghdad.

Through television coverage America closely followed the events of the first day of the war. CNN's Bernard Shaw, John Holliman and Peter Arnett vividly described the events as they saw them from their Al-Rashid hotel room in downtown Baghdad, and as they heard them from behind couches and under tables and beds.

"I've never been there, but it feels like we're in the center of hell," Shaw said.

The war to date has remained in the air, without involving ground forces. After the initial attack, Cheney said there was no Iraqi air response, but later reports said that Iraqi artillery hit an oil refinery in Saudi Arabia. Cheney also confirmed that Iraq had not launched any Scud missiles in immediate retaliation.

The focus of the raid was "the destruction of Saddam Hussein's offensive capabilities," Cheney said, confirming that Hussein, himself, was not a target.

In the first day of war, more than

1,300 missions were flown and warplanes reportedly dropped 18,000 tons of bombs on Baghdad alone, or slightly more than the force of that devastated Hiroshima in 1945.

Israeli officials said that missiles in western Iraq that posed a threat to their country had been hit in the attack, but the second day of war proved that Iraq's Scud missile capabilities had not been wiped out with Iraq launching an unknown number of Scud missiles—two hitting Tel Aviv and one in the Haifa area of Israel.

The attack on Israel fundamentally altered the war in the Persian Gulf and raised the possibility that Arab nations allied against Iraq might ultimately switch allegiance to fight Israel, depending on the nature of Israel's response.

Washington had feared that Israel would be drawn into the conflict and that Hussein would emerge in the Arab world as a hero who stood up to Israel.

The attacks on Israel were made possible by the inability of U.S. warplanes to knock out mobile Scud missile launchers in the first hour of the initial attack. To date, Israel has not answered Iraq in retaliation and has been praised by military officials for remaining out of the war and out of Hussein's well laid trap.

On the fourth day of war, Sunday in the Middle East, Israel was bombed again with seven missiles as allied

pilots continued to search for the Scud missile launchers.

Six launchers were taken out and five additional launchers were pinpointed for a later attack.

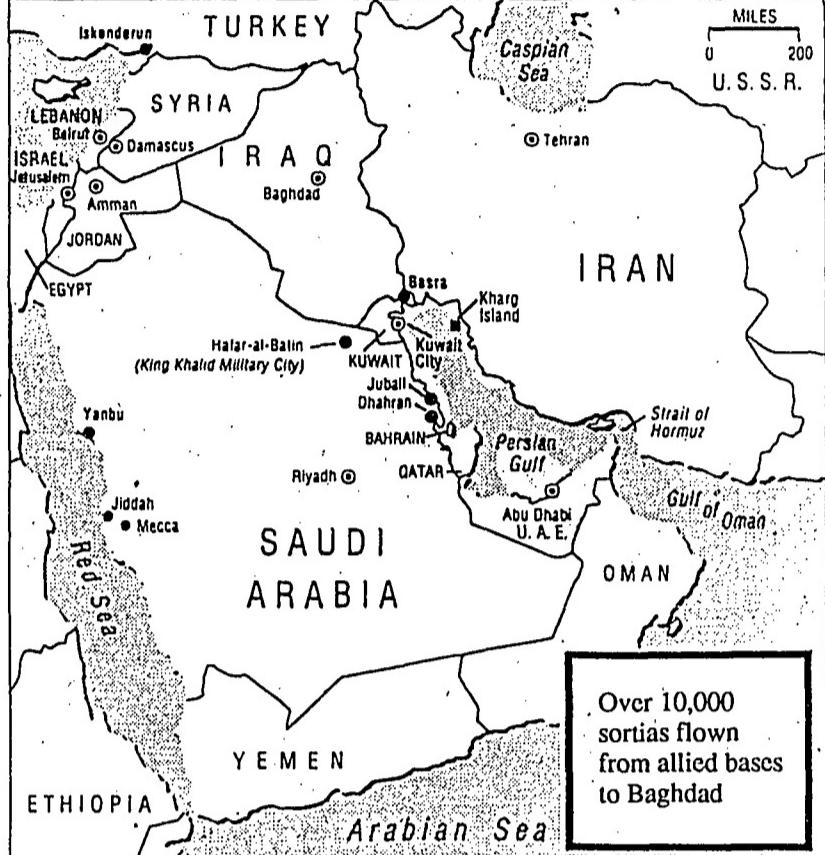
Allied bombers continued to pound Iraq, joined by American planes that were able to fly shorter, more militarily effective routes out of Turkey. Desert Storm grew to 2,000 sorties a day. The United States hoped to break Iraq's 30,000 elite Guard with cluster bombs and cripple Iraq's morale, making the Guard the target of bomb showers.

The United States prepared to send Israel Patriot missiles, capable of shooting down the Iraqi's Scud, but the Patriot apparently failed during the third attack on Israel. The civilian areas of Tel Aviv suffered many injuries in the third attack, and the first Israeli deaths came.

The U.S. foiled many Iraqi Scud bombings aimed at Saudi Arabia with the Patriot missile. Hussein also boasted that the vast majority of Iraq's air force escaped destruction.

But the earlier successes of war dimmed as pictures of prisoners of war entered American homes and hearts. The bruised, cut faces of allied troops brought the realities of war closer to home.

The men presented as POWs were three Americans, two British fliers, an Italian and a Kuwaiti. Several of the grim-faced, uniformed men criticized the war, and one asked his family to pray for peace.



Asked whether Hussein would be held accountable for the POWs, President Bush said, "You can count on it."

Others within the U.S. government talked openly about "war crimes" and suggested the possibility of trials. And governments both within and outside the anti-Iraq coalition condemned what generally were labeled gross violations of the Geneva Conventions.

"America is angry about this, and I think the rest of the world is," Bush said. "If he (Hussein) thinks this is the way to muster world support, he's dead wrong."

Hussein threatened to use the POWs as human shields throughout Iraq; Bush said it would have no effect on allied military actions.

The number of sorties has risen over 10,000 and American casualties to date include 13 missing crewmen from nine aircrafts and one pilot killed. The allied force excluding the United States has reported missing 11 men and lost eight planes.

\*Information compiled from The Kansas City Star, CNN, St. Joseph News-Press/Gazette and USA Today.

## Reinstatement of draft not likely

by Traci Todd  
Assistant News Editor

(Information for this article compiled from the USA Today, the College Press Service, the Kansas City Star, the Central Michigan Life, and the Grolier Academic American Encyclopedia.)

With the beginning of the war in the Persian Gulf, the question of reinstating the draft has been asked by many. According to Samuel K. Lessey Jr., director of the Selective Service System in an interview in USA Today, there are no plans for a draft. The draft would require a congressional legislation and presidential approval to be reinstated and there is no evidence that a draft is imminent.

Since 1973, there has been no draft in the United States. In 1980, 18-year-old men were required to register with the Selective Service System for a possible draft. A proposal that would allow women to be drafted was turned down. Currently, neither the House or Senate armed services committees have scheduled hearings concerning the draft.

The draft, if reinstated, could go into effect in about three days and produce the first inductees within 13 days. The reason this could be done so quickly is because currently 97 percent of men between the ages of 18 and 26 are registered. Women wouldn't be called and there are no provisions for women to be drafted.

Men turning 20, or born in the year 1971, on the year the draft begins are the first ones called. After all available 20-year-olds have been called, 21-year-olds would follow and the progression would continue through 25-year-olds. After all available 25-year-olds, 19-year-olds would be called and finally 18-year-olds.

Deferments, such as being a college student, would no longer keep an individual from being drafted. Under the current draft law, students would only receive temporary deferment. If a student is called up in the middle of the semester, they will be allowed to finish the semester. A student called up in his senior year will be allowed to finish the academic year. Students of seminaries and divinity schools would be exempt from the draft.

There would be deferments for dependency hardships, conscientious objectors, minister and ministerial students, a member of the guard of the reserve components, certain elected officials, men with mental, physical or moral inaptitude, surviving relatives of a person killed or missing in action in a previous war and people who fought for another country. Deciding if the deferments are allowable would rest on the shoulders of the local draft boards.

The draft boards are made up of five citizens in each jurisdiction. There are over 2,000 local boards. The board members are not military people, but have had extensive training in making decisions dealing with deferments.

According to Martin Binkin, senior fellow and military manpower expert at the Brookings Institute in Washington, in an article from the Kansas City Star, the political and social costs of returning to the draft would make the option virtually impossible. He went on to say that there would be no practical benefit to the draft because it would be a year minimum before the deployment of the inductees.

The history of the draft in the United States goes back to the Civil War. The Draft Act of 1863 met with widespread resistance, but there were ways out of it. A man could either find a substitute or pay \$300 to hire a



SAY A PRAYER—Students, staff and community members gathered around the Bell Tower Friday Jan. 18, to pray for the troops fighting in the Persian Gulf. (Photos by Brandon Russell and Don Carrick)

complexity of the issues.

"Bring Them Home," written and composed by Don Ehlers:

We face a world today that doesn't seem to care About the price of human life and learning how to share. The price for bringing peace into this crazy world we see. Affects the lives of those we love, affects both you and me. How can I bring peace myself when the struggle's far away? How can I be with the one's I'm missing here today? We let them know we care for them, we stand here side by side. And we tell the world we love them and want them home alive!

Chorus: Bring them home, keep them safe. Bring them home from far away. We're with them now, though they are gone. We'll be with them until the day we bring them home.

Though the task seems hopeless, there is so much we can do. We can give the love we have for them, they need that much from you. The question of survival for the world, for you and me Depends on how we stand as one, as God's one family. We can bring some peace today through the struggles far away. We can be with the one's we're missing here today. We let them know we care for them, we stand here side by side. And we tell the world we love them, and we want them home alive!



by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

While the United States was engaged in battle with Iraq Friday, Northwest paused with a prayer service for peace at the Bell Tower.

The prayer service was sponsored by the United Campus Ministries. Forty Northwest students, faculty and staff took time out to join the prayer for peace.

Don Ehlers, the co-director of the Wesley Foundation, performed a song he had written for the ribbon tying held a few days earlier. The song, "Bring them Home," was written with a specific purpose in mind, according to Ehlers.

"I was asked to write a song that wasn't necessarily pro or anti war, but rather bringing our soldiers home safely," he said. "I sat down and put some words together that said what I wanted to say."

The words from Ehler's song were all to real for those who had family members and friends in the Persian Gulf. Several people attending the prayer service had tears in their eyes while the song was being sung.

The togetherness was the greatest thing that the prayer service had to offer people, Ehlers said. It was an opportunity for people to share a common need.

The Rev. Larry Lewis spoke about the people he knew in the Persian Gulf and the people his parish knew over there. He also added the name of an Iraqi soldier. A soldier probably in some bunker with a wife and children. A soldier praying for the conflict to end. His name means peace.

Lewis took his place amid the people and began to read the names of those he knew in the Persian Gulf. He also encouraged everyone to add the names of people they know over there. It was something that brought tears to some as they recalled memories, ones of a time more peaceful than now.

University President Dean Hubbard, who was present for the service, said he felt the prayers and songs were all very beneficial to those who attended. He also said the service was not a simplistic one, but tried to show the

## OUR VIEW

*War crimes must be punished*

New issues are being raised about the treatment of American prisoners of war. Saddam Hussein, the man who invaded Kuwait and failed to leave despite warnings from the United Nations, has violated the Geneva Conventions.

The Geneva Conventions are a series of four treaties signed by the United States, Iraq and 162 other nations. The conventions bar countries from cruel and inhumane treatment of military personnel in wartime.

The United States cannot and will not stand for the treatment of POWs that is taking place. A man who uses poisonous gases against his own people is capable of doing almost anything and he will be held accountable for everything he does.

Three United States fliers were videotaped and broadcast on CNN. The three appeared to have been coerced into making statements, according to several prisoners of war during Vietnam.

Statements such as this one made by Navy Lieutenant Jeffery Zaun, "I think our leaders and our people have wrongly attacked the peaceful people of Iraq," lead officials to believe the men are being forced to speak against their will.

Zaun's father Calvin told reporters that the Iraqis were putting words into his son's mouth.

Hussein has also said he plans on using the POWs as human shields, which is another direct violation of the Geneva Conventions. The third Geneva Convention prohibits using prisoners for propaganda purposes or using their presence to render areas immune from attack.

The last time there were trials of war crimes committed against the United States was after World War II, when the United Nations' War Crimes Commission indicted war criminals in Germany, Japan, the Soviet Union and other nations.

President Bush has already stated Hussein will be held accountable for his actions when the war is over. The handling of such trials is normally left up to the nation which has won the war. Many times they are also handled internally, but since Hussein is not likely to put any of his men on trial, the other nations would have to do the prosecution.

It has already been suggested that the United States could ask for the death penalty when putting Hussein on trial. Every day Hussein lives is one more day Americans will suffer.

While war is inhumane, what Hussein is doing has taken the conflict several cruel steps past the boundaries any human should ever have to face. The United States needs to win this war and see to it that this is taken out of power.

*Media puts life on the line**Stroller praises journalists*

STROLLER

War is hell.

Powerful sentence, few words. A journalist's dream. I don't think it was until this week that I realized what being a journalist is all about. It's not all about being able to put phrases together and make sure sentences are grammatically correct. It's not all line tape and exacto knives and impossible deadlines. (Granted, all of that fun stuff is still a part of it.)

I think being a journalist, in the true sense of the word, is going beyond the surface of something and finding the truth (which sometimes might not be what you want it to be) and then finding a way to make that information known to who really needs it — the public.

Why, you ask, would Stroller take time out from being his old carefree,

observant self to address such an issue? Well, to be quite honest, since the War in the Gulf began I've found myself a little less carefree but maybe more observant than ever.

It struck my attention as I watched the events unfold in the Persian Gulf that if there weren't journalists over there, none of us would know what was going on. I've heard a lot of criticism over this statement in the past few days.

Okay, even if a person reporting over there is looking for high ratings or fame in the journalism world, they are still reporting to you and me — and risking their necks to do it. It's not like there are just a few incidents of b.b. gun shrapnel flying around. It's a war with missiles and tanks and bombers to prove it.

I'm not sure why some people think this must be fun. I like to have a good time as much as the next guy, but listen, when someone tells me to go play in Saudi Arabia with the camels and then mentions that there might be gunfire, I think I'd let someone else have my invitation.

I'm not saying that everyone in the world should be a journalist and never ever doubt anything they say. (I mean, they let me write a weekly column in here.) Seriously, though, I just think that when we are all talking about how many planes have been downed or how many soldiers are missing we should remember how much freedom of the press allows us to know about these events.

Also consider how fast people in the United States are informed of

happenings in the gulf. Live reports are transmitted within a matter of minutes clear across the globe. (Bravo to broadcasters as well). It struck me funny the other day to hear a couple of professors talking about watching the news and then realizing that they probably knew more about what was actually happening in all places of the Middle East than their sons because of all the reports on television. This really isn't a startling statement until you know the rest of the story — their sons are both stationed in the gulf.

I know that there are many, many families, friends and spouses out there who look to this information as a sort of lifeline to their loved ones in the Middle East. That is, to me, one of the biggest benefits of my chosen profession.

*Journalists debate issue of censorship*

## Media coverage out of bounds



**Gene Morris**  
Managing Editor

A lot of journalists are screaming censorship at some of the things happening in the Persian Gulf.

Journalists are being censored by the military before being allowed to air their broadcasts or report their stories. The reasons are quite obvious, at least they are to me.

Reasons like national security for instance. During World War II Japan knew where all of our ships were just by simply reading the paper that evening.

I think most journalists wouldn't sacrifice the safety of Americans and the war effort by printing information that would only be beneficial to Saddam Hussein. That brings us a question which is difficult for many journalists to answer; what information could do harm if it were released to the public?

Since Saddam Hussein might not have full communication with his troops, it would be unwise to have damage reports broadcast for everyone to hear. Even if these reports don't help the man, I have to wonder why a journalist would take that chance.

As a college journalist, myself, I have always been taught that the most important thing in this business is accuracy. It obviously doesn't mean much during a time of war. How many times have you heard unconfirmed reports? If you have even heard only one, that is one too many.

How can a journalist report some-

thing when it has not been confirmed? It is beyond me. Not only do they report it unconfirmed, but they keep repeating what they have heard. Who are the sources for all of these unconfirmed reports? They aren't journalists, that is for sure.

Imagine how you would feel if someone printed something unconfirmed about you. Something that was incorrect and hurt your reputation. That would be libelous and could and probably would cost them their job. It is just sloppy journalism to use anything that hasn't been confirmed.

There isn't much gray area involved. It isn't right sometimes and wrong other times. It seems to me that reports are either fact or fiction and a journalist had better know which is which before writing the story or broadcasting over the air.

Another point worth mentioning is the amount of information these journalists are actually giving us. How much could CNN's Bernard Shaw tell us hiding under his hotel bed? Maybe how clean the floor was, but that's about it.

These people like to use big words like freedom of the press and the First Amendment as a sort of journalistic honor they are entitled to everywhere. I think it is time for them to wake up and smell the coffee.

I know how important it is to cover the story, but I also know you can't report if you are dead.

## Reporters bring war closer to home



**Pat Schurkamp**  
Features Editor

The events taking place in the Middle East have shown the world the courageous acts of the reporters and camera crews as they continuously put their lives in jeopardy to tell the news as it happens.

The reporters were told on Jan. 18 they could no longer report live from Iraq — all reports would be censored.

Saddam Hussein is trying to manipulate the press into believing what he wants them to just like he has tried to manipulate the oil, human rights and Kuwait.

Some would argue that censoring the press was because of national security, but is it?

No. The press is not reporting anything that anyone in the Middle East cannot see, feel or hear. The press is not invading the Pentagon looking for papers or the White House looking for some lost minutes on a tape. The press is only trying to bring the world the truth of what is happening in a small country thousands of miles away.

When our war heroes come home, should not the press also be among the celebrated? In order to inform families, friends and neighbors of what is happening, the press is also putting their lives on the line by loss of sleep, poor food supplies and poor water supplies.

Some can argue that unlike the military servicemen, the reporters choose whether or not they want to be there.

True, but the reporters are also

doing their job just like the servicemen — to protect the constitution and our First Amendment rights.

Reporters Rick Davis and Malcolm Browne spoke about the frustration of trying to cover the war with the restrictions placed on them by both the American government and the foreign governments.

They spoke of how during Vietnam they had free access to the country, but in the Persian Gulf there is security regarding what can be reported "from cradle to grave."

The two reporters both agreed the real problems are back in the states. They were told by military officials that if you can see it you can shoot it, but later learned their stories were being stopped in Washington.

The American public as well as the world has a right to know what is happening to their loved ones and what they are supporting financially.

The American public will not allow information to be spoon-fed to them by a half-crazed war mongrel. They demand to know the truth.

I'm not so naive to believe the American public will ever know the complete reasons behind what is happening in the Middle East, but for now it is enough to know whose missiles are shooting at whom and the servicemen are holding up.

Thank God for First Amendment rights and thank God for reporters like Peter Arnett, Bernard Shaw and John Holliman.

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*Operation Desert Storm*

# Kuwaiti students hope for peace

by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

While many American families have a loved one in the Persian Gulf, two Northwest students have everything there.

They are Mohammad and Said. Their last names will not be used in the article to protect family members in Kuwait.

For Said, the reality of war is all too real.

"My family lives in Kuwait," Said replied. "I have not heard anything from them since the invasion (Aug. 2). I don't know if they are still alive or not."

Said has received some information about family members in Kuwait through a friend who was with the Kuwaiti resistance and eventually fled the country.

"I was told that two of my cousins, who fought with the resistance, were tortured and killed," Said replied. His cousins who were reportedly killed were Ahmad and Salman.

"I am against the war, but I think it is the only solution to keep him (Hussein) out of Kuwait," Said replied. "There are some people in the United States who don't support the war and I don't blame them. Many of them have family members over there. I hope this war is ended as soon as possible."

Mohammad doesn't agree with the protesters, but he said he expects those type of actions in the United States.

"I don't approve of the protesters,

**"It's not for oil, it's against aggression and it's obvious."**

-Mohammad  
Northwest student  
from Kuwait

but that's normal," Mohammad said. "When you have freedom of expression that will happen. They just want the troops back and are emotionally involved. They just want a peaceful solution which isn't existent."

The war with Iraq has to do with a lot more than oil, according to Mohammad and Said.

"It's not for oil. It's against aggression and it's obvious," Mohammad said. "If it was just for oil, you wouldn't find 28 nations fighting for that."

Said replied, "The war is about a crazy person who has been a problem for the last decade. We can't defend ourselves against aggression. The U.S. is our only hope."

The bombing of Israel was a reason for much concern, according to these students from Kuwait.

"It was a desperate action by Saddam Hussein to make it a holy



WAITING—Mohammad, a Northwest student from Kuwait sits among his many reminders of the fight to free his country. Like a majority of Americans, Mohammad supports the U.S. involvement and hopes the war will be over soon. (Photo by Don Carrick)

war," Mohammad said. "They were expecting it to happen."

Said added, "I really got mad. I said, 'Oh my God, he attacked Israel.' He wants to start World War III and get all the Arab countries to stand up and support him."

"I was pleased that Israel didn't

strike back. President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker tried to calm them down. If Israel strikes back it would be a massive war," Said added.

The bulk of the war is being fought in the air which is something these Kuwaiti students agree is for the best.

"President Bush has to minimize the casualties and that is why he hasn't used the ground forces yet," Mohammad said. "It seems this is one of the things Congress wants."

"I hope the air attacks destroy Iraq," Said replied, "so they don't have to use the ground forces. I don't

want to see the ground attacks, because they will be bloody and lots of lives will be lost."

These Kuwaiti students would like to see the war come to an end and both believe it will happen sooner rather than later.

## Military Dictionary

These are some of the military and geographic terms, common names and slang words being used in reports on the Persian Gulf War:

**A-6 Attack plane** - The Navy's main attack jet. It was used extensively Wednesday, Jan. 16, the first night of the war. One plane's bomb carried the inscription "RX 12,000 pound precision-guided enema."

**A-7 Corsair** - An attack plane whose payload carries up to 15,000 pounds of munitions.

**A-10 Thunderbolt** - "Tank killer" planes used to destroy Iraqi ground forces.

**AAA or Triple A** - Anti-Aircraft Artillery.

**Arab League** - Founded in March, 1945, the League fosters cultural, economic and communication ties among member states and speaks for the Arab world in some international forums. In the

past the League has coordinated Arab action against Israel.

**AWACS** - Airborne Warning And Control System. A jet that monitors air space with its big external radar dome and guides fighters and bombers to their targets. It can stay in the air for more than 11 hours.

**B-52G bomber** - Air Force's main long-range bomber used for "carpet-bombing" first against the elite Iraqi Republican Guard in Kuwait, and then throughout Iraq.

A lack of trees and non-reinforced Iraqi fortifications should make these raids effective. It is a slow, large aircraft making it an easier target. Their success suggests that Iraqi air defenses have been weakened.

For more military terms, please turn to page 7.

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substitute, 255,000 men were drafted during the Civil War; but 204,000 men provided or paid for substitutes. Overall, the draft was a little more successful for the Confederacy.

The Selective Service Act of 1917 created the draft board instead of using the military. Civic leaders were used to select the local youths who met the military draft quotas. This practice was refined in 1940.

Following World War II, the Selective Service System was revived in 1948. The grounds for deferment were broadened. This encouraged early marriage and fatherhood and

enrollment for college and graduate education.

Pressures for reform led to the lottery system of 1969. The Selective Service System became a prime target of the anti-war movement. The system was then discontinued in 1973.

The lottery system created in 1969 would be used if the draft were reinstated. The lottery would establish an order to determine the possibility of who would be inducted. It matches up a random series of numbers with every birth date of the year. The first men to be called up would be those 20-year-olds with a low lottery

number.

Draft induction notices would then be issued in lottery-number order. Registrants who receive orders would then have two weeks to report to a military processing station for examination and possible immediate induction. While going through the processing system, the men would have the chance to file a claim for postponement, deferment or exemption. If they are accepted for duty, they would go through eight weeks of basic training and possibly several more months of specialized training, before being deployed.

## Students voice opinions

**Staci Heard (Fr./Accounting)**

1. It had to be done. It's a shocker, but anything like that is a shock.
2. I feel like he was hiding important facts and was only looking at the good side. He was being too optimistic.
3. I don't think there will be one as of now.

**Nathan Kelim (Fr./Agronomy)**

1. I knew it would happen sometime, but I didn't want to think about it.
2. I didn't see the speech.
3. It's not something I am looking forward to, but I would go if I was drafted.

**Wade Banning (Fr./Business Management)**

1. I think it was a wise choice by President Bush. It was a good move.
2. He thinks he is in control, and I think he has done good.
3. If we have to do it, we have to do it.

**Nelse Christiansen (Fr./Business)**

1. It was a good move and had to be done.
2. I didn't see the speech.
3. I think there will be one. I'll go if I am called upon.

**Joe Desmond (So./Computer Systems)**

1. I was glad. I think people like Saddam shouldn't be allowed to do what they do. He is just like a Hitler.
2. I didn't see the speech.
3. I am not really for a draft. I would go if called upon.

**Tony Loth (Sr./Social Science Education)**

1. I wasn't too surprised. I was kind of expecting it.
2. Great. He was very firm and sure of himself.
3. I am not really for a draft. I would go if called upon.

**Kristi Rodeman (Jr./Biology)**

1. Even though I knew it was going to happen, I was shocked.
2. Didn't watch.
3. I don't think it will last long enough for it to come into effect. With what they have over there now, I think they'll be able to finish it.

**Shona Fulton (So./Elementary Education)**

1. I had to be done. You don't know how to react because nothing like this has happened in our lifetime.
2. I don't think that he said a whole lot. He was trying to justify everything he had done.
3. I am totally opposed. We have too much technology and troops over there. It shouldn't last long enough for the draft to be installed.

**Sean Boyle (Fr./Psychology)**

1. I was a little surprised. I was kind of hoping they would make Hussein make the first move.
2. I didn't see the speech.
3. I am very scared about it.

**Ray Dinkins (Jr./Chemistry)**

1. I think we've done the right thing all along. We played our political and diplomatic cards right, and when it came time to use force - he knew it was coming. We kept the promise.
2. His words pretty prefab, but you can see it in his eyes - concern, yet confidence. His voice was very steady.
3. I don't think the draft will ever be back. The government has the power and everyone should fulfill their duty.

**Chelli Davis (Jr./Elementary Ed./Early Childhood)**

1. I was scared for people I know over there, but if this is what it takes to get Hussein out, then we'll just show them who's boss.
2. Didn't watch.
3. I think the number over there is sufficient.

**Matt Gibson (So./Art Education)**

1. I have mixed feelings. You wondered what was going to happen. Now you want them to get it over with. The waiting was worse than this.
2. I didn't see the speech.
3. I would go if I have to, but I don't feel we should be over there, except to protect Israel.

**Operation Desert Storm**

# Family and friends in the gulf



PICTURES FROM FAR AWAY—Nancy Thomas, Horace Mann librarian, sits in front of pictures her son, Sgt. Lawrence P. Thomas, sent from Saudi Arabia. Sgt. Thomas took the photographs with a disposable camera his mother sent him in a care package. (Photo by Don Carrick)

Stories by Laura Pierson,  
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Editor

*"When I first heard, tears instantly came to my eyes. I thought, 'Oh my God, he's in trouble.'"*

-Tina Ebrecht  
sister of U.S. soldier



THE TIE THAT BINDS—Identical twins Phillip and Robert Reynolds are apart for the first time says their mother Virginia Reynolds. The brothers are stationed in separate divisions in the Persian Gulf. (Photo by Gene Morris)

## Operation Desert Storm

*"It's scary. Its' like I know they are coming home? Is it going to be alive or is it going to be dead? It's a mother's fear."*

-Virginia Reynolds  
mother of soldiers in gulf

## First day of war is blur for soldiers mother

Sgt. Lawrence P. Thomas' tour with the U.S. Army was to end in April. Now that war has broken out in the Middle East his tour has been extended indefinitely.

His mother, Nancy Thomas, said, "I think before that (Gulf War) he was planning to get out. He was interested in going back to college."

Thomas is the librarian for the Horace Mann Laboratory School.

Lawrence, 20, is a member of the 197th Infantry, Fort Benning, Ga. His job is to operate a Howitzer artillery gun.

Thomas said the first 24 hours of the war are like a blur. She said the reality of the war hit when she saw reporters in Tel Aviv reporting with gas masks on.

"If you don't see it and there's no picture, just the words don't necessarily mean anything, but I think when we saw how frightened the reporters were in Tel Aviv when those missiles were coming in."

According to Thomas, Lawrence and his platoon are trusting in the Howitzer and their own abilities to get them through the war.

"I think they felt very confident in the machinery they are using and in their own skills," she said. "They have been together awhile. They have

trained together."

Thomas last heard from Lawrence the Saturday preceding the war.

"He sounded very good, very positive," she said.

Phone calls have been few and far between because it was a three hour drive to the phones, three hours of waiting in line and the three hour drive back to camp.

Thomas said that during most of Lawrence's stay in the gulf, camp has consisted of living under a camouflage net tossed over his Howitzer.

Thomas has sent her son care packages to help make his living arrangements more tolerable. She said he heats up microwavable meals she sends by using the exhaust of the Howitzer.

However, Thomas would like to do more for her son than send care packages.

With a pained expression Thomas said, "By virtue of becoming a parent one thing you elect to do is to care for, nurture and love this child and keep them out of harm's way. And to realize there is absolutely nothing I can do to affect the outcome of this or to protect him in any way is hard... a hard thing to realize."

*"By virtue of becoming a parent one thing you like to do is care for, nurture and love this child and keep them out of harm's way..."*

-Nancy Thomas  
mother of soldier in gulf



BROTHERLY LOVE—Tina Ebrecht looks at a Christmas card sent to her from her brother, Virgil, stationed in Saudi Arabia. Virgil was among the first troops sent into the Desert Shield operation. (Photo by Gene Morris)

## War separates twins for the first time

She smiles proudly as she speaks of her twin sons serving in the Middle East.

"The twins have never been separated from each other. This is the first time they have ever been separated from each other this long," Virginia Reynolds said.

"Phillip left Dec. 17 and Robert left Dec. 26 for Saudi," Reynolds said. "Robert hoped they didn't go to war, but if they did he was ready to go. Phillip was ready. He was more enthused about it. He was ready to go over there and 'kick butt' as he said. He wanted to go over there and get it taken care of so the boys can get home."

The last time Reynolds heard from Robert was Dec. 10. "Robert called me. He was scared. He said all the boys were scared."

Reynolds received a letter from Robert on Jan. 12. "He said he was

living in a condo and said the food was worse than what he fed his dog, Charlie. He wanted me to send him some batteries for his walkman and some books to read."

The letter ends, "If God wills it I will be home soon."

This is the last letter Reynolds received from him.

Phillip called Reynolds Jan. 10. "He called me three times that day. He said, 'Mom, this will probably be the last time I'll get to call you,'" Reynolds said.

Reynolds now gets her news from the television and radio.

"The other night I saw on television they were moving the armored divisions and I thought 'Oh, I wonder if Robert is in that division. And then when I heard that the bombs were shot over Saudi, the first thing I thought of was did they shoot where my boys were at,'" Reynolds said.

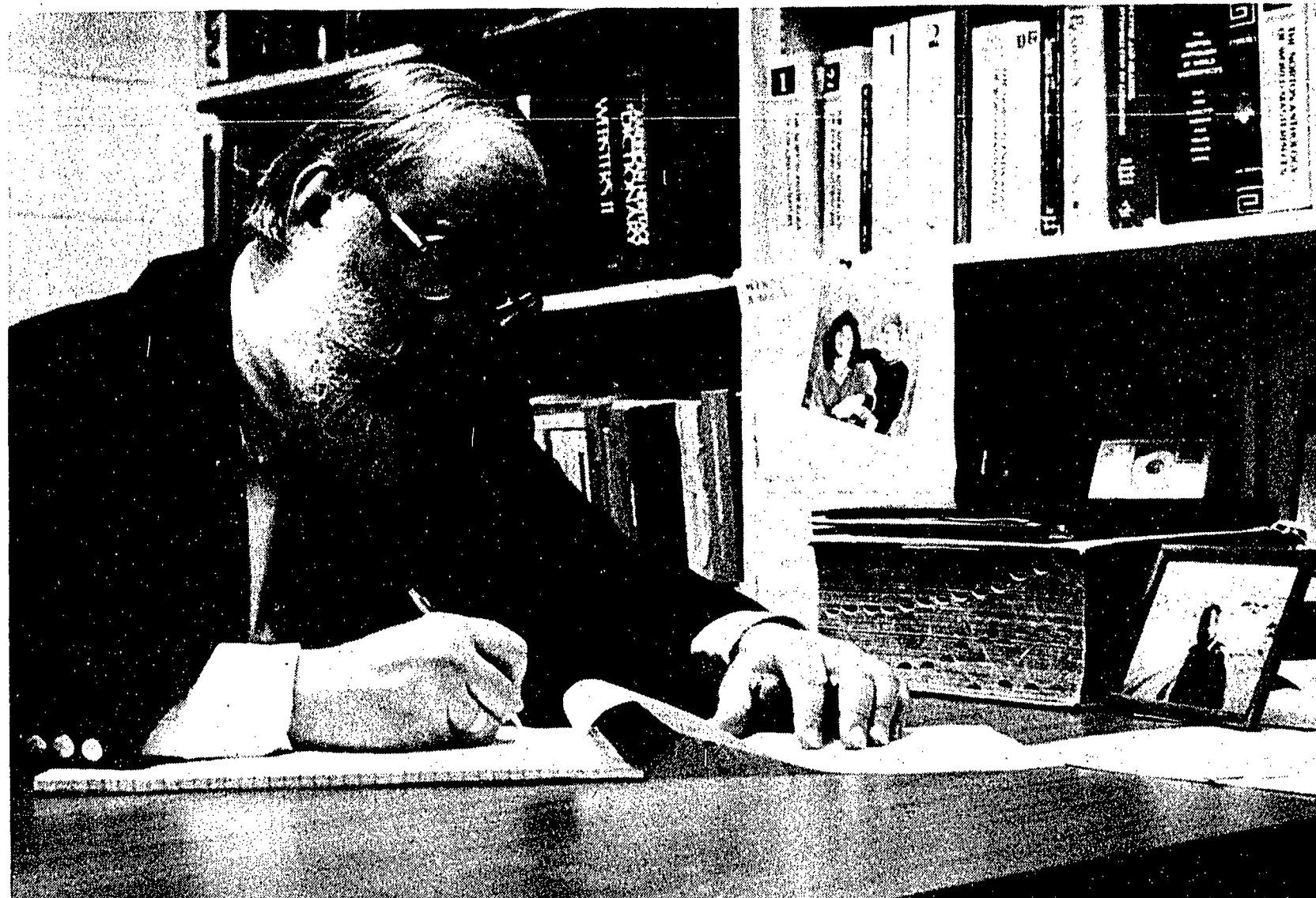
Every night Reynolds prays for her sons and for the other boys fighting in the Middle East.

"I pray that the Lord puts a shield around them and protects where the bullets don't penetrate."

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LETTERS FROM HOME—Dr. Loren Gruber, Associate Professor of English, pens a letter to his son-in-law, David Schinall, stationed in the Middle East. (Photo by Todd Weddle)

## 'Stay focused' advises father-in-law

The lines of care and worry are worn deep on the kind Santa Claus face of Dr. Loren Gruber, assistant professor of English at Northwest.

"We are scared but supportive," he said about having his son-in-law, David Schinall, 30, fighting in the Middle East.

"I don't want to see my son-in-law killed anymore than some Iraqi wants to see his son-in-law killed. That's the real tragedy of it," Gruber said.

According to Gruber, Schinall is with the Army's 24th Division Tank Command as a Staff Sergeant. Schinall is married to Gruber's daughter, Elizabeth.

"David told us that nightly they have been playing King on the Hill. One part of the group would be the bad guys and the other would be the good guys and try to shoot each other," Gruber said. "Using laser technology they can record a hit. His tank consistently won."

Gruber said the advantage of our tanks over theirs is that we have twice the firing range. "So, theoretically, we can get one and possibly the second one and quickly reduce it to one-on-one or less, provided we're all accurate."

There are greater atrocities going on over there than have been reported, Gruber said. "Once he (Schinall) got situated over there he too believed Hussein absolutely had to be taken from power. He said if we don't take care of him (Hussein) now, it will be worse in five years."

Another concern Gruber had for his son-in-law was the ability to tell what is friendly tanks or enemy tanks.

"Britain has sold Chieftain tanks to Iraqi forces. It will be hard to tell which is friendly and which is not," Gruber said. "That shows you the nightmare of selling others our weaponry. They (Iraq) not only know what our weaponry is like but you get in a situation where you don't know who is friend or foe."

The booming voice of the scholar grew silent when asked what he would like to say to his son-in-law.

"Stay focused. It's rather like that battle at the end of that first Star Wars movie where everything is highly sophisticated and the machinery is doing an awful lot and at the same time Obi Won Kenobi tells Luke to trust himself, and that's where you have to stay focused."

## Soldier's Persian Gulf deployment pushes wedding date up for Northwest student

Saddam Hussein interrupted Northwest junior Julie Noel's wedding plans.

When her fiance, Scott Coleman, received orders to go to Saudi Arabia they married last November rather than next July as originally planned.

However, the change in plans did not upset Noel too much.

"The wedding is not as important as the marriage is," she said.

The couple honeymooned near Fort Hood, Texas, where Coleman, 20, was stationed before his deployment to Saudi.

Noel had an operation and was coming out of the effects of anesthesia when she heard the war had begun.

"He showed me his gas equipment before he left" she said, "so I got to make sure it was safe."

At first Noel stayed tuned into the reports filtering in from the Middle East but soon grew tired of hearing the same news repeatedly. She said she does try to watch CNN three or four times a day for updates.

She tries to avoid the unpleasant scenes such as the film of the POWs because she wants to keep a positive outlook on the situation.

"It's hard but you manage," she said. "You have to. You can't let your whole life fall apart. They (soldiers) depend on you too."

According to Noel, Coleman's mother is having a hard time dealing with the situation.

"His mom is having a hard time. Her husband was in Vietnam, so she relates back to what it was like for him," Noel said.

Noel finds solace in talking with

others who have relatives in the gulf. She said they provide a "true sounding board, they understand."

The couple stay in touch through letters, but it can take up to 16 days to receive a letter.

"That's kind of hard because he's talking about how he was feeling back then," she said, "and you have no idea what's going on in his mind now."

She said the soldiers appreciate the support they are getting from the American people.

"They really depend on the people back home. The letters and phone calls are what keeps them sane," she said.

She added, "They don't want to get forgotten like the boys in Vietnam."

**"They really depend on the people back home. The letters and phone calls are what keeps them sane."**

- Julie Noel  
wife of U.S. soldier  
in the gulf



LONG DISTANCE MATRIMONY—Julie Noel, junior, holds a photograph of her husband, Pvt. 2 Scott Coleman. Scott is a U.S. Army medic stationed in the Middle East. (Photo by Don Carrick)

## Penpals plan meeting after war, sorority corresponds with platoon



CONFLICT BRINGS NEW FRIEND—A yellow ribbon and picture on Kathy Higdon's door shows her support for her new penpal, Ray Bolar. Higdon has the Persian rug Bolar sent her hanging on her wall. (Photo by Gene Morris)

She says he is on her mind 24 hours a day even though they have never seen each other face to face.

"I've never met him, but we've been writing faithfully since August everyday," said Kathy Higdon, freshman, about Ray Bolar, a soldier stationed in Saudi Arabia.

After seeing an address on television at which to write the soldiers, Higdon sent a letter addressed to whom it may concern. Bolar responded and, as a result, the two have become good friends.

Higdon's sorority sisters, the Delta Zetas, got into the act by writing to some of Bolar's friends stationed with him in Saudi.

Bolar is a member of the 5th MASH Unit out of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. According to Higdon, his job is to move into unsecured areas, set up a hospital and move on to set up another.

"He's always moving," Higdon said. "Every letter I get their moving again. The content of Bolar's letters seems to indicate that war was unavoidable."

"It's something he and his whole

platoon believes in. He's more or less saying it's got to be done. He's (Hussein) got to be stopped," she said.

Although the crisis in the gulf is what brought the penpals together, they do not devote a lot of space to it in their letters.

"There is usually a sentence or two about the war and the rest is

about what we're doing," Higdon said.

She tells him what is going on in school and he tells her how he spends his rest and relaxation time. They try to keep the correspondence on the lighter side for a reason.

"He knows I'm worried about him," she explained. "He's scared but he's trying not to let me know he's scared."

She would like him to know he is in her prayers and to be careful.

Besides letters, Bolar has also sent Higdon a Persian rug and a t-shirt.

What she would like most of all is to meet him, which they plan to do when he comes back to America.

She said, "I've been wearing a yellow ribbon since the war started

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-Kathy Higdon  
penpal to U.S. soldier

and it will come off as soon as I meet him."

**Operation  
Desert Storm**

# Students React To War

*Bombs explode in Baghdad,  
Northwest campus silent*

by Laura Pierson  
*Editor in Chief*

As news of the U.S. bombing of Iraq spread, the campus grew as silent as the light fog that had quietly blanketed Maryville Wednesday evening.

Noisy voices in the Spanish Den, Towerview Cafeteria and Lamkin Gym hushed as students and Northwest personnel realized the nation had just plunged into war.

The Bearkittens and their fans learned of the bombing raid when it was announced over the public address system at halftime during their game against Northeast Missouri State.

"The girls were on the court shooting and they just stopped," Carol Jarosky, Bearkitten student trainer said. "Right after it was announced it got pretty quiet."

Jarosky said once playing resumed the crowd was cheering as usual.

For Bearkitten center Danae Wagner the show had to go on.

"We had to put it aside because it was business as hand. We had the game now, and that (the war) would be going on after the game," Wagner said.

Her teammate, guard Stacy Rockhold, was more philosophical about the situation.

Rockhold said, "We came out at halftime and came out on the court and sat around a minute or two, then they made the announcement that the bombing had taken place.

"The whole gym got quiet. It just made you think about everything. We were real upset that we were losing at halftime, but it was nothing to what was going on over there."

Rockhold continued, "We really had it easy compared to them. We were worried about a basketball game, and they were worried about world peace."

Rockhold said that one of the players, Jamie Lindsey, has a brother in Saudi Arabia so the rest of the team tried to comfort her.

Both the men and women's basketball teams were wearing yellow ribbons the coaches had made for them.

The same eerie silence extended across campus to

the J.W. Jones student Union where some students were having trouble digesting the news.

Dana Skwarlo, junior, was finishing her meal in Towerview when she first heard about the bombing.

"It was about 5:40. I was getting ready to go to class. The first thing I heard was Saudi Arabia, the next thing was Baghdad. It was like totally silent and no one spoke."

According to Dwain Gleason, sophomore, the reaction from the students in the Spanish Den was much the same.

He said several students had crowded around the big screen TV to watch the coverage. Soon other students, wondering why so many were crowded around the TV, came over to investigate.

Gleason stayed in the Den until 10 p.m. rather than walk back to his room.

"I didn't want to miss anything since it was happening right then," he said. "And I wanted to hear Bush's speech."

The B.D. Owens Library was nearly empty by 9 p.m. although library staff member Cathy Palmer said this was not unusual for the first week of school. She said many students made a "mass exodus" out of the library at 8:30 p.m.

Palmer added that a non-traditional student asked her where he could find a television on campus to listen to the news.

Dana Allen, junior, said she left the library at 8 p.m. so she could hear Bush's speech.

Students living in the residence halls closely monitored television broadcasts of the war.

Tanya Kukor, Roberta Hall desk worker, said, "Whenever I called to a room I always heard the TV on. Everyone was staying tuned in to it."

Heidi Wittrock, who lives in Hudson, said there was a feeling of helplessness and sadness throughout the residence halls.

"I think there's a sense of depression," she said. "A feeling that we can't help and there's nothing we can do. We keep praying and praying."

## Students voice opinions

### Questions

- What was your reaction when the U.S. bombed Iraq?

Mary Briggs (Sr./Psychology)

- I had knots in the pits of my stomach, but it was almost like a relief too.
- My husband was in service overseas during the Vietnam conflict so it brought back the fears we had. I had an overwhelming empathy for the families of those who are fighting and for those we're leaving.
- I feel if it needs to be done, we really don't have a choice. I feel we need to avoid it if at all possible.

- How did the President's speech affect you?
- What do you think about a possible draft?

by Jodi Leseberg

*Assistant Features Editor*

"When the children cry let them know we tried, and when the children sing then the new world begins" - White Lion

There are no tears in Linda Heeler's combined fifth and sixth grade classes of Horace Mann, nor are there voices lifted in song.

The children here are gathered each morning with serious questions

and comments about the war against Iraq.

As Heeler answered their questions that have risen over the past week's events, the children listened attentively with concern in their wide innocent eyes.

With hands raised patiently in the air waiting to be called upon, the children talked about everything from American and British POWs to the fear of terrorism at the next Super Bowl.

Grade

"They (POWs) were lying," said fifth grader Matthew Deering, son of Ed and Patty Deering. "You could tell, one wouldn't look at the camera."

"I'm scared for the POWs and MIAs," said Deering. "I just want them all to come back home."

Deering's interest in the war runs even deeper. His father Ed, who is serving in the U.S. Marine Corp, is now stationed in Frankfurt, Germany after having back surgery but will soon be called back to the crisis in the gulf after a full recovery.

"I feel strongly about the war," said Deering, "but, I don't feel innocent people should be hurt."

Like Deering, Jinny Lehleitner, a fifth grader, daughter of Janee and Bill Lehleitner, fears "that people I know over there will die."

Unlike President Bush, Lehleitner would not have chosen to go to war.

"I would try to find a more peaceful solution," she said.

As many Americans possess differing opinions, so do the children at Horace Mann.

Sixth grader Shawn King, son of Terry and Carol King, said he felt we were doing the right thing, "because President Bush knows what he is doing and he knows more than I do."

"We (U.S.) tried to talk to him (Saddam Hussein) but he wouldn't back off Kuwait," King said.

Shawn's sister Heather, a fifth grader, has similar feelings. "Saddam Hussein has no right to own people and their land. It's just not right," she said.

Heather said she fears, "the chemical that could kill civilians." She added, "I feel bad for my friends who have people over there (Middle East)."

Heeler encouraged her students to talk with their parents about any concerns or questions they have over the situation in the Middle East.



STUDENT INTEREST—Sixth grade students at Horace Mann School discuss and ask questions about the war coverage on TV. The discussion session, held every morning, helps the students better understand the situation in the Middle East. (Photo by Stacy Bauter)



WAR WATCHING—Fear and apprehension grip students as the first reports come in from what is now being called Desert Storm. As word spread, students crowded around the TV in the Spanish Den waiting for new developments. (Photo by Don Carrick)

SIGN OF SUPPORT—Below, Amy Coenen signs her name to a mural located on the 4th floor of Millikan Hall. Many students signed as a show of support for the personnel involved in Operation Desert Storm. (Photo by Todd Weddle)



## Youngsters question Mid-east events

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HOPING FOR PEACE—With her peace symbol hung around her neck, Amanda Graham, sixth grader at Horace Mann School, voices her opinions on the Persian Gulf situation to a Northwest Missourian reporter. Graham and her fellow classmates have watched the news every day since the start of the conflict. (Photo by Stacy Bauter)

## Operation Desert Storm

# 'Desert Storm' pumps up gas prices at home

by Jodi Leseberg  
Assistant Features Editor

After hearing war broke out in the Middle East, many Maryville residents rushed to the fuel pumps in an effort to avoid buying gasoline at anticipated higher prices.

"On Wednesday night, everybody started lining up (to purchase gasoline), it got very busy," said Steve Dempsey, owner of the convenience stores, Pit Stop and Pit Stop South.

According to Dempsey, the price of gasoline per gallon may increase or decrease from one-fourth of a cent to ten cents every night.

Prior to Operation Desert Storm, unleaded gasoline cost \$1.12 per gallon at Pit Stop, said Dempsey. After the attack, the price of unleaded increased seven cents. As of Monday, Jan. 21, unleaded had remained at \$1.19 per gallon.

Persons traveling on Martin Luther King Jr. Day found self-service regular unleaded gasoline in Kansas City and St. Louis for \$1.08 and a \$1.13, respectively, according to the American Automobile Association regional office in Kansas City.

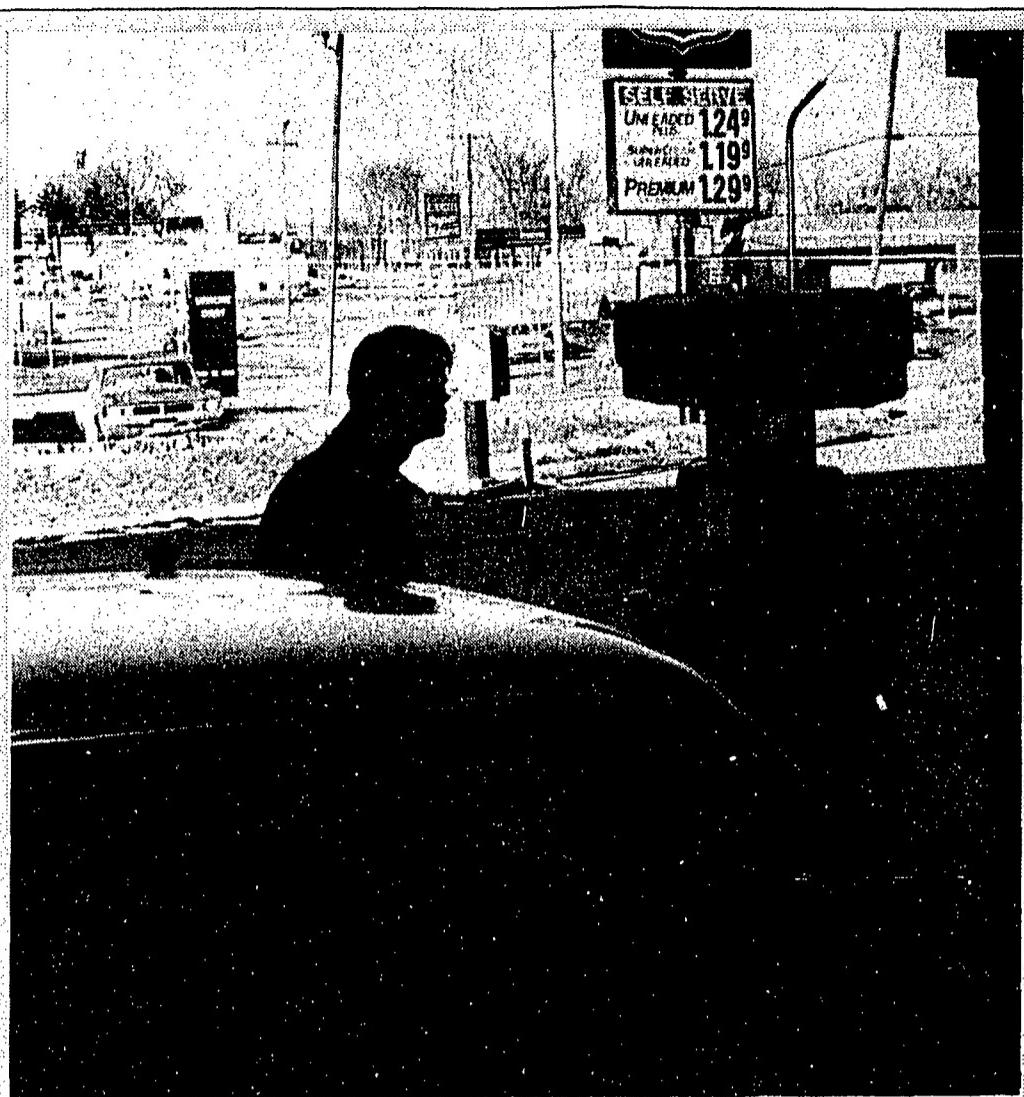
Mike Wright, director of Public Affairs for AAA of Missouri, said as of Jan. 21, the prices of unleaded gasoline in Kansas City and St. Louis were down one cent in each city since Friday, Jan. 18.

Following the attack on Iraq, the price of unleaded increased 1 cent in St. Louis and 6 cents in Kansas City. A total increase of 17.9 cents per gallon of regular unleaded gasoline has occurred in St. Louis and 10.3 cents per gallon in Kansas City since Aug. 2, 1990 when Saddam Hussein of Iraq invaded Kuwait.

Travelers in neighboring cities and states have seen similar changes in the price of gasoline.

Farris Truck Stop, St. Joseph, reported on Jan. 21 unleaded gasoline cost \$1.09 per gallon.

A resident of central Iowa cited gasoline



THE PRICE AT THE PUMP—As a precaution against rising prices at the pump, Kit Schenkel tops off his tank at Pit Stop South. The outbreak of war in the gulf has caused a fluctuation in the cost of oil and fears of rising gas prices at the pumps. (Photo by Don Carrick)

prices in Des Moines from \$1.21 to \$1.26 as of Jan. 21.

Sapp Bros. Truck Stop, Omaha Neb., said unleaded plus gasoline with a ten percent ethanol blend cost \$1.29 per gallon as of Jan. 21.

The price of gasoline is decided by traders on the oil futures market, decisions based not on actual supply and demand, but perceived supply and demand.

Gasoline prices have been unstable since the mid '80s after oil became a commodity on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

According to an article in USA Today, Jan. 17, oil futures contracts on Mercantile Ex-

change closed Jan. 16 at \$32 a barrel. The Exchange closed before Operation Desert Storm began. After the first attack on Iraq was reported, prices increased as much as \$42 a barrel.

Experts have said oil prices could reach \$60 a barrel if there is a long war.

As of Jan. 22, the price of light sweet crude oil per barrel was \$21.30.

Unocal Chairman Richard Stegermeier in an interview with USA Today said, "The outbreak of war in the Middle East could cause a run-up in world oil prices. We urge our customers to avoid any panic buying or fuel hoarding here at home."

## War effort cost estimated up to \$ 86 billion

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

Congress reported on the day of the initial air assault on Iraq, that the war effort could cost the United States from \$28 billion to \$86 billion, depending on military uncertainties.

The Congressional Budget Office projected that the Persian Gulf effort would cost \$17 billion to \$35 billion this fiscal year. The fiscal year for 1991 runs through Sept. 30.

## Super Bowl security tightened

USA TODAY

TAMPA—The 73,000 fans expected at Sunday's Super Bowl XXV will be searched with hand-held metal detectors at 68 stadium gates.

Among other security measures prompted by the Persian Gulf war: no radios, cameras and TV sets in the stadium.

"We're confident the stadium itself is quite secure," said Bob Smith, Tampa public safety director. "... I don't feel there are any loose ends."

Smith said his office is coordinating with the FBI, the Secret Service and U.S. Customs to "plan for every eventuality."

"In a city like this, every police department receives bomb threats," said Smith. "We have received one phoned, anonymous threat, which at this point... has no credibility at all."

## Students voice opinions

### Questions

1. What was your reaction when the U.S. bombed Iraq?
2. How did the President's speech affect you?
3. What do you think about a possible draft?

Annette Garrison (JR, Accounting)

1. We did the right thing. We had no other choice.
2. I felt the President did everything he could before to promote peace.
3. If it comes to that the U.S. citizens should support those who are fighting for our country.

The CBO's lowest estimates were determined if the war would last less than a month, and fought mainly with U.S. air power.

American losses were assumed to include about 3,000 dead and wounded troops, 200 tanks and 100 aircrafts. These estimates are about one-tenth of the tanks and 8 percent of the planes.

Each F-15 Eagle aircraft costs \$33 million, and the first raid cost the U.S. \$500 million in weapons.

The higher estimates are projections of fighting lasting up to six months, with extensive ground attacks.

Estimated losses were 45,000 dead and wounded, 900 tanks and 600 planes.

The Bush administration has refused to discuss the potential cost of war. The administration also refused to provide the CBO with new information for further estimates.

The White House has reported that the bill for the U.S. and its efforts through Dec. 31 reached \$10 billion.

United States allies have paid \$6 billion, and another \$2 billion is expected.

According to the Associated Press, The General Accounting Office, Congress' accounting agency, has also estimated that keeping forces in the desert another year will cost \$30 billion.

Fighting would cost hundreds of millions of dollars daily.

## Military Dictionary

**Carpet bombing** - A mass destruction tactic performed by B-52 bombers in which they release their full payload (bombs) in one concentrated area.

**Collateral damage** - Military jargon for civilian losses.

**Chaff** - Metal foil dispensed by warplanes to confuse enemy radar.

**Frogfoot** - Iraq has about 60 of these SU-25 attack planes (range 470 to 780 miles) similar to the 100 American A-10 Thunderbolts deployed by the allies.

**Fur ball** - Military pilot slang for the hectic tangle of air-to-air dogfights.

**F/A-18 Hornet fighter-bomber** - This fighter has a maximum speed of mach 1.7 and has a range of 1,000 miles. There are about 160 to 200 in Operation Desert Storm. It is a single-seat, ship-launched fighter with a payload of 1,700 pounds of bombs and missiles. It was the first U.S. plane shot down and was a Marine Corps aircraft from the carrier USS Saratoga, stationed in the Red Sea.

**F-15E** - Fighter used against Iraqi air targets. Loads included heatseeking anti-aircraft missiles.

**F-16 Fighting Falcon** - The Falcon can travel more than 1,320 mph and was used against Iraqi air and land targets.

**F-111** - Medium-range strike bomber, extremely accurate on key targets. There are 50 in the Persian Gulf.

**F-117A Stealth Fighter** - Shadow fighters used only once before (in Panama). It is slow but able to elude Iraqi radar. There are 40 in the Gulf.

**Golden BB** - Soviet doctrine the Iraqis are said to be emulating in their air defense efforts: If enough bullets and other projectiles fill the sky during an air raid, at least a few are bound to hit the target.

**Operation Desert Storm** - The allied military code name for the Persian Gulf War.

**MIA** - Missing in action.

For more military terms, please turn to page 8.

## Professor foresees increase in national debt due to Gulf War

by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

be some rebuilding," he said. "Where will the money come from to build up what we are destroying? That's going to be a good question."

"It's going to take a lot of time, capital and equipment to rebuild the Middle East," he said. "The oil facilities destroyed in the It's going to take a lot of time and money to rebuild them."

The war should also have some positive influences on the economy, Brown said.

According to Brown, there are certain supplies that will have to be created for the war and that should cause a greater demand for labor. More jobs will be created in the United States, at least as long as the war lasts.

It is hard to determine what will happen when the war is over, however, Brown said. He said it largely depends on how long the war against Iraq lasts and how much damage is done.

There will be more jobs opening up by people leaving their jobs to fight in the Persian Gulf, according to Brown.

"Employers will have a lot of people leaving for military service in the gulf," he said. "This will cause more jobs to open up while the United States is at war."

Some economic experts quoted in the USA Today have also said that oil prices could fall to \$12 a barrel after the war is over. The lower price of the resource would be a dramatic boost to industrial companies in the United States.

## Blood donors needed

by Pat Schurkamp  
Features Editor

donate blood," Purslow said.

Purslow said the response from the public to donate blood has been overwhelming.

"We have scheduled appointments through February," Purslow said. "It's a good feeling."

Although some of the people donating blood have asked that it be sent to the soldiers, Purslow said they could not guarantee it would be sent there.

"We must also meet a 365 unit blood total per day to send to hospitals we represent," Purslow said.

Anyone wishing to donate blood can contact the St. Joseph Community Blood Center, St. Joseph, Mo., 232-6791, to make an appointment, or may donate through a local community blood drive.

## Retailers feel mixed effects

ticular videos becoming more popular after the war began. She did say renting movies because that there were several people who said they were tired of the war reports.

The war has had almost no effect on pizza sales. A&G Restaurant, Breadaeuz Pisa and Domino's all said business was pretty normal during the first week of the war.

Exa Lewis (So./History)

1. I wasn't surprised. I wasn't thrilled about it.
2. I think he was encouraging. He knew what he was doing. He had good information and he was supportive of the troops.
3. I don't believe they should reinstate the draft. They should call back people who have been in the service and made their commitment.

Ron Sturtz (Fr./Industrial Technology)

1. I was surprised.
2. With the way he sounded, I don't know any other person who could have handled it as well. He did a good job. The timing was good.
3. I'm 19 and I don't think they'll need it. I'm married and it would screw up my entire life if I was drafted. They shouldn't take students because they will rape the country of education.

Kathleen Vogler (Sr./Computer social Science)

1. I got scared because I know people over in the gulf.
2. I was impressed that he went into the war. I didn't think he had it in him.
3. I guess if they have too, they can do it.

# Operation Desert Storm

## Reserves activated

The following is a list of Missouri and Nebraska reserve units activated after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

**Missouri**  
1138th Military Police Company

Based in West Plains and Doniphan

Deployed to the Persian Gulf  
1221st Transportation Company

Based in Dexter and Jefferson City

Deployed to the Persian Gulf  
1139th Military Police Company

Based in Harrisonville and Springfield

Deployed to Fort Riley, Kansas

1267th Medical Company (air ambulance)

Based in Jefferson City

Deployed to Fort Leonardwood, Kansas

35th Rear Area Operations

### Center

Based in Kansas City  
Deployed to Fort Leonardwood, Kansas, preparing for deployment to the Persian Gulf

3175th Military Police Company

Based in Warrenton and Saint Clair

Deployed to Fort Leonardwood, Kansas, preparing for deployment to the Persian Gulf

1137th Military Police Command

Based in Kennett, Caruthersville and Jefferson barracks

Deployed to Fort Leonardwood, Kansas, preparing for deployment to the Persian Gulf

Nebraska

24th Medical Company (air ambulance)

Deployed to the Persian Gulf

1267th Medical Company (air ambulance) Detachment 1

Deployed to the Persian Gulf

## Congressmen address issues

## Government officials react to war

Formal government statements and reactions were quick to reach the public as the Persian Gulf Crisis moved from Operation Desert Shield to Operation Desert Storm on Jan. 16. Local members of the House of Representatives and Senate all seemed to send the same message — we support the action of the military to stop atrocities in Kuwait and bring our men and women home safely.

**Kit Bond, U.S. Senator for Missouri**

"Only a tyrant with no sense of morality, who cares nothing for his people, would fight a losing war against the entire world. Clearly, Saddam Hussein has no respect for human life or the rule of law. There can be no question that this madman must be stopped before he grows stronger."

Bond went on to say, "The world stands at a critical moment in history. Now is the time for Americans to

unite. Our fighting men and women stand against aggression overseas, and we must stand in support of them at home. Every American wants peace and we must pray that this conflict leads to it. I pray the fighting will end quickly and bring us lasting peace."

**Missouri Congressman Tom Coleman**

"I am greatly encouraged by the early reports of Allied air attacks in the Gulf. It appears that the initial phase of the effort to liberate Kuwait has gone far better than we might have expected.

"But let's remember that this is only the beginning. Unless Saddam very quickly complies with the U.N. resolutions demanding his withdrawal from Kuwait, his ground forces will have to be removed. Although our air supremacy will be a great advantage, Iraqi troops are in well-fortified defensive positions and

could be expected to fight hard. This will be the most difficult and dangerous phase of Allied action in the Gulf.

"Today, our thoughts and prayers are with America's men and women in the Gulf. Let's continue to hope that Saddam will come to his senses so that our servicemen and women can return safely to us and their families."

**U.S. Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa**

"As a former Navy fighter pilot, my first thoughts go out to the pilots. My hope and prayer is for every pilot to return safely. I want to lend my fullest support to the U.S. soldiers in the Persian Gulf. America is not divided in support of our forces in the Gulf.

"I am deeply saddened by the loss of life, as brave Americans are already dying in the service of their country, and as I fear innocent Kuwaiti and Iraqi citizens are trapped by the

violence of war.

"Like all Americans, I can only hope and pray that the fighting will be over quickly with minimum bloodshed, that Saddam Hussein will come to his senses and give up his illegal occupation of Kuwait, and that our brave American men and women in uniform can return to their loved ones very soon."

**U.S. Senator Jack Danforth, Missouri**

"Operation Desert Storm is now underway, and it is time for all of us to support our troops and our president. The stated hope of minimizing loss of American lives and permitting our armed forces to come home quickly is something that all of us should fervently hope for."

"The operation apparently has gone very well. The objective of targeting Saddam's offensive military capability is extremely important for the future."

## War Newsbriefs

### Air Force flies in to save pilot

Two United States Air Force pilots flew into Eastern Saudi Arabia on Monday, Jan. 22 to rescue a downed Navy pilot.

The unidentified pilot was rescued as an Iraqi truck entered the area. Both fighter pilots shot at the truck destroying it.

There was no word on the plane's other crewman.

### ARA ties ribbons on campus

Yellow ribbons were placed on trees outside of the Bell Tower by employees of ARA Campus Dining. The yellow ribbons were put up in honor of friends and relatives of ARA employees who are currently stationed in the Persian Gulf.

At least five ARA employees have relatives serving in the Gulf region. The yellow ribbons, the idea of Dorothy Schmidt, Jean Ann Jenkins and Tracy Smith, were put out in the Bell Tower Mall so those employees could see them as they worked in the J.W. Jones Union.

### Military releases numbers to the concerned public

Anyone wishing to gain information about loved ones in the Persian Gulf can now contact the different branches of the military.

Army: 1-800-626-1400

Air Force: 1-800-253-9276

Navy: 1-800-225-3808 for immediate family members and 1-800-732-1206 for others.

Marines: 1-800-523-2694

Coast Guard: 1-800-283-8724

**Congressman Richard Gephardt, Remarks Prepared for Delivery On Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 on Jan. 18.**

"The House meets at a moment of history filled with risk — but we meet in a spirit of firm resolve. We meet to close ranks and to express our solidarity and support for the 430,000 American troops, and the soldiers of our coalition partners, who are engaged in hostilities against the forces of Saddam Hussein. We meet today confident in the knowledge that from the crucible of combat America will once again emerge stronger, and hopeful in our prayer that from this conflict our loved ones will be delivered securely home to us."

"Already there are countless tales of heroism and valor from this desert war. Who among us will ever forget the young crewman who stood at attention with tears streaming down his cheeks as his comrades scrambled into their F-18 jets to roar off into that moonless night as the first wave of thunder in the Desert Storm?

"Who among us will ever forget the lionhearted wives and husbands;

parents and children; friends and families of our troops who gathered together for mutual support? They dried each other's tears, calmed each other's fears and inspired us all with their true grace under real pressure.

"Who among us will ever forget the newsmen — and women — who are risking their lives to bring the world news from the front, even as the bombs are bursting in air?

"In every cafe and coffeehouse, every barbershop and bowling alley, in every home and here in this House, all Americans have turned their hearts

to the Persian Gulf. We eagerly await the successful conclusion of this conflict and the swift return home of our troops.

"America is not a nation of conquerors, we are a nation of liberators. We mourn the loss of life. And, we especially mourn whatever civilian casualties may occur in Kuwait and Iraq. For these are the innocents who are caught in a cruel cross-fire between a brutal enemy and an enduring principle — the need to enforce the rule of international law. But even though our hearts are heavy, our cause

is clear.

"The fact that this resolution is co-sponsored by the distinguished Minority Leader is all the evidence Saddam Hussein needs that today we are one. The greatest strength of our democracy is that, unlike in Baghdad, here the people govern. And on both sides of the aisle, in both Chambers of the Congress, the people support our troops. We will do everything in our power to aid them in their mission, even as we pray to a Higher Power to bring them home swiftly, safely and successfully when their mission is finally accomplished."

## Military Dictionary

Patriot - Advanced mobile battlefield surface-to-air missile used to shoot down Iraqi SCUD missiles aimed at Saudi Arabia.

POW - Prisoner of war.

Scramble - A swift take-off of military aircraft in response to an attack.

SCUD - Soviet made surface-to-surface ballistic missile. There

are three Iraqi versions that can carry explosive or chemical warheads to targets 360 to 1,200 miles away.

Sebkha - An Arab word for underground river. Sebkhas that turn the ground into quagmires impossible to cross with tanks lie near the Saudi border and south of Kuwait City.

## Bush addresses concerned America about war with Iraq

The following is a transcript of President Bush's address to the nation Wednesday, Jan. 16:

"Five months ago, Saddam Hussein started this cruel war against Kuwait; tonight the battle has been joined. This military action, taken in accord with United Nations resolutions and with the consent of the United States Congress, follows months of constant and virtually endless diplomatic activity on the part of the United Nations, the United States and many, many other countries.

Arab leaders sought what became known as an Arab solution,

only to conclude that Saddam Hussein was unwilling to leave Kuwait. Others traveled to Baghdad in a variety of efforts to restore peace and justice.

Our Secretary of State James Baker held a historic meeting in Geneva only to be totally rebuffed.

This past weekend, in a last

ditch effort, the Secretary General of the United Nations went to the Middle East with peace in his heart — his second such mission, and he came back from Baghdad with no progress at all in getting Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

Now, the 28 countries with forces in the gulf area have exhausted all reasonable efforts to reach a peaceful resolution, have no choice but to drive Saddam from Kuwait by force.

We will not fail.

As I report to you, air attacks

are under way. We are determined

to knock out Saddam Hussein's

nuclear potential. We will also destroy

his chemical weapons facilities.

Saddam's artillery and tanks will

be destroyed.

Our operations are designed to best protect the lives of all the coalition forces by targeting Saddam's vast military arsenal.

Initial reports from General Schwarzkopf are that our operations are proceeding according to plan.

Our objectives are clear. Saddam Hussein's forces will leave Kuwait. The legitimate government of Kuwait will be restored to its rightful place and Kuwait will once again be free.

Iraq will eventually comply with all relevant United Nations resolutions and then when peace is restored, it is our hope that Iraq will live as a peaceful and cooperative member of the family of nations, thus enhancing the security and stability of the gulf.

Some may ask, "Why act now? Why not wait?" The answer is clear. The world could wait no longer.

Sanctions, though having some effect, showed no signs of accomplishing their objective. Sanctions were tried for well over five months and we and our allies concluded that sanctions alone would not force Saddam from Kuwait.

While the world waited, Saddam Hussein systematically raped, pillaged and plundered a tiny nation — no threat to his own. He subjected the people of Kuwait to unspeakable atrocities and among those maimed and murdered — innocent children. While the world waited, Saddam sought to add to the chemical weapons arsenal he now possesses an infinitely more

dangerous weapon of mass destruction, a nuclear weapon.

And while the world waited, while the world talked of peace and withdrawal, Saddam Hussein dug in and moved massive forces into Kuwait. While the world waited, while Saddam stalled, more damage was being done to Eastern Europe, to the entire world, including to our own economy.

The United States, together with the United Nations, exhausted every means at our disposal to bring this crisis to a peaceful end.

However, Saddam clearly felt that by stalling and threatening and defying the United Nations he could weaken the forces arrayed against him.

While the world waited, Saddam Hussein met every overture of peace with open contempt. While the world prayed for peace, Saddam prepared for war.

I had hoped that when the United States Congress, in historic debate, took its resolute action, Saddam would realize he could not prevail and would move out of Kuwait in accord with the United Nations resolutions. He did not do that.

Instead, he remained intransigent, certain that time was on his side. Saddam was warned over and over again to comply with the will of the United Nations — leave Kuwait or be driven out. Saddam has arrogantly rejected all warnings. Instead, he tried to make this a dispute between Iraq and the United States of America.

Well, he failed. Tonight, 28 nations, countries from five continents — Europe and Asia, Africa and the Arab League — have forces in the gulf area standing shoulder-to-shoulder against Saddam Hussein. These countries had hoped the use of force could be avoided. Regrettably, we now believe that only force will make him leave.

Prior to ordering our forces into battle, I instructed our military commanders to take every necessary step to prevail as quickly as possible and with the greatest degree of protection possible for American and allied servicemen and women. I've told the American people before that this will not be another Vietnam. And I repeat this here tonight. Our troops will have the best possible support in the entire world. And they will not be asked to fight with one hand tied behind their back.

I'm hopeful that this fighting will not go on for long and that casualties will be held to an absolute minimum. This is a historic moment. We have in this past year made great progress in ending the long era of conflict and Cold War. We have before us the opportunity to forge for ourselves and for future generations a new world order, a world in which a credible United Nations can use its peacekeeping role to fulfill the promise and vision of the U.N.'s founders.

We have no argument with the

people of Iraq. Indeed, for the innocents caught in this conflict, I pray for their safety. Our goal is not the conquest of Iraq. It is the liberation of Kuwait.

It is my hope that somehow the Iraqi people can even now convince their dictator that he must lay down his arms, leave Kuwait and let Iraq itself rejoin the family of peace-loving nations.

Thomas Paine wrote many years ago: "These are the times that try men's souls." Those well-known words are so very true today.

But even as planes of the multinational forces attack Iraq, I prefer to think of peace, not war. I am convinced not only that we will prevail, but that of the horror of combat will come the recognition that no nation can stand against a world united, no nation will be permitted to brutally assault its neighbor.

No president can easily commit our sons and daughters to war.

They are the nation's finest. Ours is an all-volunteer force, magnificently trained, highly motivated. The troops know why they're there. And listen to what they say, for they've said it better than any president or prime minister ever could. Listen to Hollywood Huddleston, Marine lance corporal.

He says, "Let's free these people so we can go home and be free again." And he's right. The terrible crimes and tortures committed by Saddam's henchmen against the innocent people of Kuwait are an affront to mankind and a challenge to the freedom of all.

Listen to one of our great officers out there, Marine Lt. Gen. Walter Boomer. He said, "There are things worth fighting for. A world in which brutality and lawlessness are allowed to go unchecked isn't the kind of world we're going to want to live in."

Listen to Master sergeant J.K. Kendall of the 82nd Airborne. "We're here for more than just the price of a gallon of gas. What we're doing is going to chart the future of the world for the next 100 years. It's better to deal with this guy now than five years from now."

And finally, we should all sit up and listen to Jackie Jones, an Army lieutenant, when she says, "If we let him get away with this, who knows what's going to be next?" I've called upon Hollywood and Walter and J.K. and Jackie and all their courageous comrades in arms to do what must be done.

Tonight America and the world are deeply grateful to them and